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ion has not made the Illinois that it should e past year. We ought to bers and to accomplish ut a very small undertak- present membership of ly take at an average of alf applications to each this number and I feel very member in this asso- mplish this much before vention in Omaha, May to meet you all there and will be shouting, 'Here ith 5000 strong.' At our in 1897 we had a very ort for the year just members and today we members in good stand- best traveling men in Illi- se from the report of the e state board of directors for board meetings in , while for the year just economical management, ses have been $38.97 for We have added during new post, O, in Jackson- ident, Mr. Frank Doolit- wake, hustling, traveling

n I desire to thank the officers and chairman of the various committees for the uniform courtesy and kindness which I have received at their hands.

This was followed by the report of the board of directors and the report of the auditing committee. The board of directors reported the association in a flourishing condition and all the affairs in excellent shape. The board recommended the adoption of the resolution of the Illinois divison that a distinct badge be adopted for all conventions and also approved of an amendment to the constitution to provide for the sum of $3 per day to be allowed all delegates attending the national conventions and that their railroad fare be paid over the shortest route to the convention.

The auditing committee made a splendid report, showing the affairs of this committee to be in an excellent condition.

Following this report the meeting adjourned until 1:30 o'clock.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Frank H. Putnam of Peoria, the secretary and treasurer, submitted his annual report as follows:

To the Officers and Members of the Illinois Division, Travelers' Protective Association of America: I herewith hand you my report as secretary and treasurer for the fiscal year ending April 15, 1898:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand April 15, 1897	$ 643.18
Applications received	1,792.38
Renewals received	13,146.35
Applications rejected by national secretary	35.00
Record book Account	.75
Received from rent of rooms Post E	150.00
Total	$15,537.66

DISBURSEMENTS.

State convention expenses	$ 59.87
Percentage remitted to local posts	1,446.44
Sec'y and treasurer's salary	300.00
Exchange	.10
Remitted to national sec'y	11,655.60
Applications rejected and returned	54.00
State director's expense	38.97
Printing and stationery	122.85
Miscellaneous expense	160.14
Rent of state headquarters	250.00
National convention expense	693 85
Legislative expense	8.55
Postage	103.17
Soliciting new members	83.30
Balance cash on hand April 15, 1898	615 32
	$15597.66

Total amount paid Illinois Division Members on Indemnity claims during the year $4600.36

MEMBERSHIP.

April, 1898, total membership	1478
April, 1897, " "	1418
Gain for the year	60

MEMBERSHIP BY POSTS.

Post A, Quincy	177
Post C, Chicago	495
Post D, Springfield	68
Post E, Peoria	334
Post F, Cairo	42
Post G, Aurora	40
Post H, Canton	31
Post J, Joliet	37
Post K, Decatur	66
Post L, Bloomington	36
Post M, Danville	66
Post N, Chicago	19
Post O, Jacksonville	28
Illinois State Division	58
	1478

HOSPITAL FUND.

Balance in Hospital Fund	$1450 80
Interest on Hospital Fund	58.03
	$.508.83

DELEGATES AND LADIES.

Warren Sutliff and wife, Frank H. Putnam and wife, C. P. Carter, Wm. Noler, F. Murder, E. C. Burrows, B. B. Belt, Frank Loukes, F. H. Pfleffer, H. G. Miller, J. S. Jones, L. H. Ryder, Wm. Ohl, Wm. Apper, E. C. Pfleffer, C. H. Cleaver, M. Goodman, A. E. Dawes, E. Keill, A. G. Crawford, A. J. McMasters, C. G. Jones, G. W. Smith, D. E. McMaster, J. G. Reuter, N. L. Kawes, Warren Shaff, C. E. Premble, G. W. Smith, L. H. Ryder and wife, A. G. Crammond, of Peoria.

D. E. McMasters and wife, Hermon, W. H. Lud, Danville, Will J. Harker, Danville.

P. J. Deutsch, Springfield, J. T. Orr, W. D. S. Boyd, L. H. Leavenworth, W. S. Stagg, H. K. Stagg, J. M. Ludfield, Springfield.

C. E. Trull and wife, Canton, J. H. Riobey, M. J. Miller, Canton, O. L. Wilson, Aurora, H. S. Clark, Aurora, T. B. Rhodes, Bloomington, A. F. Freeman, Bloomington, J. H. Bliss, Bloomington, James S. Keller, Chicago, M. W. Phalen, T. A. Warren, W. H. Heegard, C. F. Nixon, G. Sternfield, W. H. Morgan, C. Horner, J. H. Purdy, T. B. Hawe, H. Hargis, R. Sprague, W. H. Flagg, T. H. Judd, C. W. Olendorf, J. J. Billingham, C. E. Bare, W. B. Ferry, Chicago, J. B. Ide, Bloomington, G. W. Boone and wife, Quincy, H. Gormmer, J. M. Irwin, George Fisher, Quincy, J. McBooth, Jacksonville.

E. F. Parker, J. W. Allen, J. H. Sunter, J. D. Templeton, F. A. Tuttle, J. W. Osgood, W. P. Shade, G. G. Bezer, Decatur, W. W. Chapman, Chicago, C. Kohn, Quincy.

CUBAN RESOLUTIONS.

The following patriotic resolutions were offered by Vice President J. L. Ide of

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DECLARATION OF WAR

President McKinley's Message to Congress Asking For Formal Action.

The Volunteer Spirit Spreading in America--Spanish Guns From Morro Castle Fire on the American Fleet--Failed to Hit Any Ship--More Captures by the United States Battleships.

THE STATE MILITIA CALL TO-NIGHT

DECLARATION OF WAR BY CONGRESS

Washington, D. C., April 25.--The bill reported by the House Foreign Affairs committee declaring war, reads:

First--That war be and the same hereby is declared to exist, and that war has existed since the 21st of April, A. D. 1898, between the United States and the Kingdom of Spain.

Second--That the president of the United States be and he is hereby directed and empowered to use the entire land and naval forces of the United States, and call into actual service the United States Militia of the several states to such an extent as may be necessary to carry this act into effect.

The foregoing declaration was unanimously adopted and is now in effect.

The Senate promptly passed the bill and President McKinley has affixed his signature to the document.

President's War Message to Congress.

Washington, April 25.—The president has sent to congress the following message to the senate and house of representatives, United States of America:

"I transmit to congress for its consideration and appropriate action copies of the correspondence recently had with the representative of Spain in the United States, and with the United States minister at Madrid, and through the latter with the government of Spain, showing the action taken under the joint resolution approved April 20, 1898, 'for the recognition and independence of the Cuban people, demanding that the government of Spain relinquish authority and government in the island of Cuba, withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters, directing the president of the United States to use the land and naval forces of the United States to carry these resolutions into effect.' Upon communicating with the Spanish minister in Washington the demand which became the duty of the executive to address to the government of Spain in obedience to said resolution, said minister asked for his passports and withdrew. The United States minister at Madrid in turn was notified by the Spanish minister of foreign affairs that the withdrawal of the Spanish representative from the United States had terminated diplomatic relations between the two countries and that all official communications between their respective representatives ceased therewith. I recommend to your special attention the note addressed to the United States minister at Madrid by the Spanish minister of foreign affairs on the 21st, whereby the foregoing notification was conveyed.

"It will be perceived that therefrom the government of Spain, having cognizance of the joint resolution of the United States congress, and in view of things the president was thereby required and atborized to do, responds by treating the demands of this government as measures of hostility, following with that instant and complete severance of relations by its action. The position of Spain thus being made known and the demands of the United States being denied, with a complete rupture of intercourse by the act of Spain, I have been constrained in the exercise of the power and authority conferred on me by the joint resolution aforesaid, to proclaim under date of April 22, 1898, a blockade of the ports of the northern coast of Cuba, lying between Cardenas and Bahia Honda and of Port Cienfuegos on the south coast of Cuba; and, further, in the exercise of my constitutional powers, and the using of the authority conferred on me by the action of congress, approved April 22, 1898, to issue my proclamation dated April 23, 1898, calling for volunteers in order to carry into effect said resolution of April 20, 1898, copies of these proclamations being hereto appended. In view of these measures so taken, and with a view to the adoption of such other measures as may be necessary to enable me to carry out the expressed will of the congress of the United States in the premises, I now recommend to your honorable body the adoption of a joint resolution declaring that a state of war exists between the United States and Spain and urge speedy action thereon, to the end that definition of the international status of the United States as a belligerent power may be made known, and that the assertion of all its rights and the maintenance of all its duties in the conduct of public war, may be assured.

(Signed) WILLIAM McKINLEY."

Spanish Fleet to Sail.

War Bulletin--April 25--A London special from Cape Verde islands says it is believed the Spanish fleet will sail today.

Limit is 125,000.

War Bulletin--It is positively stated that the president does not at present contemplate a further call for volunteers.

Declared War.

War Bulletin--It took the House one minute and forty-one seconds to pass declaration of war.

SPAIN'S WAR DECREE

Posted Sunday at Madrid--A Bitter Declaration.

Madrid, April 25--The following decree was gazetted Sunday:

"Diplomatic relations are broken off between Spain and the United States, and the state of war being begun between the two countries, numerous questions of international law arise which must be precisely defined, chiefly because the injustice and provocation come from our adversaries, and it is they who, by their detestable conduct, have caused this grave conflict."

Continuing, the decree reads:

"We have observed with strictest fidelity the principle of international law and have shown the most scrupulous respect for morality and the right of government. There is an opinion that the fact that we have not adhered to the declaration of Paris does not exempt us from the duty of respecting the principles therein enunciated. The principle Spain unquestionably refused of admit then was the abolition of privateering. The government now considers it more indispensable to make absolute reserve on this point, in order to maintain our liberty of action and uncontested right to have resource to privateering when we consider it expedient, first by organizing immediately a force of cruisers, auxiliary to the navy, which will be composed of vessels of our mercantile marine and with equal distinction in the work of our navy.

"Clause 1. The state of war existing between Spain and the United States annuls the treaty of peace and amity of October 27, 1795, and the protocol of January 12, 1877, and all other agreements, treaties or conventions in force between the two countries.

"Clause 2. From the publication of these presents, 30 days are granted to all ships of the United States anchored in our harbors to take their departure free of hindrance.

"Clause 3. Notwithstanding that Spain has not adhered to the declaration of Paris, the government, respecting the principles of the law of nations, proposes to observe, and hereby orders to be observed, the following regulations of maritime law:

"1. Neutral flags cover the enemy's merchandise except contraband of war.

"2. Neutral merchandise except contraband of war, is not seizable under the enemy's flag.

"3. A blockade to be obligatory must be effective, viz., it must be maintained with sufficient force to prevent access to the enemy's littoral.

"4. The Spanish government, upholding its right to grant letters of marque, will at present confine itself to organizing, with the vessels of the mercantile marine, a force of auxiliary cruisers, which will co-operate with the navy according to the needs of the campaign, and will be under naval control.

"5. In order to capture the enemy's ships and confiscate the enemy's merchandise and contraband of war under whatever form, the auxiliary cruisers will exercise the right of search on the high seas and in the waters under the enemy's jurisdiction, in accordance with international law and the regulations which will be published.

"6. Defies what is included in contraband of war, naming weapons, ammunition, equipments, engines and, in general, the appliances used in war.

"7. To be regarded and judged as pirates, with all the rigor of the law, are captains, masters, officers and two-thirds of the crew of vessels which, not being American, shall commit acts of war against Spain, even if provided with letters of marque issued by the United States."

THE HAVANA CABLE CUT.

Uncle Sam Severs Blanco's Connection With Madrid.

Tampa, Fla., April 25.—The United States have cut the Havana cable. The cut was made about 10 miles out of Havana, and the southern end of the cable is now on the Mangrove, which was recently converted into an auxiliary cruiser.

This gives the government exclusive use of the cable and entirely cuts General Blanco off from communication with Spain, as the insurgents are between him and the other cable ports. It is intended, as soon as the blockade of Cienfuegos is established, to cut the cable between that point and Jamaica, thus entirely severing telegraphic comunication between Cuba and the outside world, except for such matter as is sent through the United States censorship.

This censorship has already been rigidly established at Key West. The government has seized the cable office at that point and discharged all operators except one, who has been put under oath not to reveal the material sent from the fleet to Washington.

Besides this, he is closely watched to prevent his communicating information to correspondents. A detail of marines is constantly on guard at the cable office.

BOMBARDMENT OF HAVANA.

London, April 25.—The British foreign office has been advised that the American fleet intends to bombard Havana.

Notification of this fact has been cabled to the British consul general in Havana. All necessary arrangements have been made by the British consul general for the safety of British subjects as well, as of the remaining Americans who may apply for aid.

A Washington telegram says: The problem of the bombardment of the forts of Morro and Punta is presenting some embarrassing features. The Morro stands high upon a point 200 feet above the sea level. To shell it the guns will require such a high elevation as may cause the decks of the vessels carrying 8-inch guns and the 12-inch guns to feel the effects of the recoil most seriously. Modern heavy guns of the built-up class have never been tested in action. Their qualities and faults must be developed by the supreme trial of battle.

The American fleet can stand out at sea seven miles and shell all the seafront forts of Havana with ease. By means of one of the most wonderful small devices of modern time the range can be found at one or two shots, no matter what may be the distance. This is accomplished by the "range-finder," which all men-of-war carry now. The heaviest guns that will be opposed to the American fleet are the 8 and 10 inch Krupp rifles mounted in the works of the Punta fronting the sea. There are two batteries of them, six guns to each, of uniform calibre. The 10-inch Krupps are in the usual emplacements while the lighter battery has disappearing carriages. The entire scientific military world is watching this fight between the United States and Spain with deepest interest.

SHOTS FROM MORRO CASTLE

Spain's First Challenge Hurled at American Warships Saturday Night.

On Board the Flagship New York, off Havana, April 25.—Morro Castle opened fire on the fighting squadron of the United States at 11 o'clock Saturday night. About 10 shots were sent in the direction of our ships, but not one took effect, and no shots were fired in return. The Spaniards apparently had seen the lights of the New York while the latter was signaling to a ship of the squadron.

The firing was reported by the officer of the deck, Ensign J. R. Edie, to captain Chadwick who was asleep at the time. The young officer asked the captain in somewhat excited tones whether the New York had not better discontinue signaling. "No," muttered Captain Chadwick, with the utmost coolness, "there is no necessity for stopping the signals. Go ahead."

A little later Captain Chadwick was on the forward bridge, whence he watched

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One Case of Fine Unbleached Sheeting, 2¼ yards wide, at yard....10c

One Case of Fine Unbleached Sheeting, 2¼ yards wide, at yard....14c

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One Case of Indigo Blue Check Shirtings, 32 in. wide, at yard....6 1-4c

Regular 10c quality.

Pillow Cases.

100 dozen Bleached Pillow Cases at each.... 5c

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50 dozen Sheets, 2¼ yards wide, at each....33c

50 dozen Sheets, 2½ yards wide, at each....48c

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One Bale of Stevens' Brown Crash, all linen, at yd..3 3-4c

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Cheap Napkins at, dozen.... 95c, $1.00, $1.25

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MONDAY, APRIL 25, 1898.

Dr. Mary Walker seems to be the only person now who opposes the war and she wears a frock coat.

Captain Sampson would be justifiable in permitting Weyler to pass the blockade if he wants to get into Havana.

Spain seems inclined to fight the war on its glorious history, but the impression is abroad that Blanco will have to fight it on Cuba, history or no history.

The American soldiers do not seem to fear that Blanco may order them into concentration camps upon their arrival in Cuba.

Now that Cuba has been blockaded and food supplies cannot be sent to the Spanish soldiers they will soon experience what the suffering endured by the starving reconcentrados means.

If General Gomez joins forces with General Miles and gives a good account of himself there will be no trouble as to what government will be recognized in Cuba when that point is reached.

By Saturday night thousands of the brave American sons will be bivouacing on the field of Chickamauga, where their fathers fought and gave a good account of themselves 34 years ago.

In the present war it fell to the lot of the American mule to be the first contraband of war. Mules bought in Missouri for Blanco were seized by the United States authorities at New Orleans as contraband of war.

Uncle Sam's beef bill will be increased in a few weeks when he has the present Spanish army in Cuba under guard as prisoners. They cannot swim the Atlantic and Spain may be a long while transporting them.

Probably the most unfortunate people at present in Cuba are the prisoners in the Spanish fortresses. They can neither escape nor fight and yet they will be exposed to the bombardment of the forts and no doubt many of them will be killed.

Spain has called out 50,000 reserves but what on earth she intends to do with them no one has yet been able to guess unless it be to put down insurrection at home and further establish Spanish honor.

The Republican has several times suggested that when it came to the crisis of war President McKinley would be swift enough for the most radical. The truth of this is being realized. While congress was discussing the war resolution he mobilized the regular troops on the south Atlantic coast. He promptly blockaded the northern coast of Cuba and has been detained in calling the militia by the fact that the laws relating to sending them outside of American territory had to be amended. Things will move this week in rapid succession.

Spanish Treatment of Prisoners.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: It is important that Spain should be made to understand at once that a strict account will be kept of its violations of civilized warfare. Americans falling into its hands must be treated with due humanity or the reckoning will leave Spain but little more than a name on the map. It has other outlying possessions than Cuba and ports at home that are poorly defended. If it sends American prisoners to starve and rot in the typical Spanish dungeons the war will be carried to lengths it little dreams of. Through all Spanish history has run a fiendish disposition to abuse helpless captives. On good authority it is stated that torture chambers are kept in working order at Barcelona for political prisoners, and that they have been used more than once during the last year. That Weyler mistreated prisoners in the black holes of Havana is well known, and the murder of sick and wounded insurgents in hospitals has been a matter of course wherever the Spanish forces could reach them.

Spain has never yet fought a war according to civilized usages. It delights in making an individual in its power as wretched as possible. But this course toward Americans will bring upon it a terrible retribution. Let that be distinctly emphasized at the outset. The war now in prospect is for the liberation of Cuba. How far it will spread beyond depends upon Spain. The murder or malignant injury of American prisoners will make the war general beyond a doubt. As far as the Spanish forces in Cuba are concerned they have been schooled in every kind of infernalism and have lost all the ordinary feelings of humanity. If they treat Americans who fall into their hands differently from the Cubans it will be because they are afraid to follow their custom, not that they have any scruples against it. The wholesale assassination of our sailors on the Maine is a sufficient proof of the depths of Spanish treachery when detection is supposed to be impossible.

Taken at the best, Spain is an adversary that excites disgust. In every respect, morally and physically, it is beneath our class. But our natural relations toward Cuba require us to apply the righteous law of force to this cruel bregart, hesitating at no crime, and when not engaged in shedding blood inventing falsehoods under the impression that the world is easily wheedled. Even the Red Cross nurses fled from the Spanish lines in Cuba when the United States consuls left the island. Spanish character is well understood in all intelligent countries. But the duty of expelling Spain from Cuba now rests upon us, and it will be performed, cost what it may. On the verge of the struggle it is necessary to give Spain an unmistakable warning that it must fight as civilized nations fight or it will be dealt with in the sternest manner. Its existence will be the stake if it wreaks its hatred upon American prisoners.

In Honor of Mrs. Walker.

Miss Jane Roby of West Macon street will receive informally this afternoon from 5 to 7 in honor of Mrs. Clara M. Walker of Tacoma, Wash. Invitations have been sent to both ladies and gentlemen. Miss Roby will be assisted in receiving and serving by Mrs. Louis Eyman, Misses Edith Durfee, Mollie Tuttle, Lena Ullrich, Beatrice Howard, Miss Warren of Clinton. The decorations will be in red and pink.

Death of Mrs. Batchelder.

Mrs. Daniel B. Batchelder died at her home at Illini on Sunday morning. The funeral services were held this afternoon from her late home and were conducted by Rev. Arnold of the Congregational church of Illini. Mrs. Batchelder has been a resident of Illini for the past 20 years and was a woman of great strength of character and many womanly and happy characteristics. She leaves a husband and two children one son and one daughter.

Executive Committee Meeting.

The executive committee of the Macon County Christian Endeavor Union will hold a meeting at the First Baptist church next Sunday afternoon.

Rev. S. H. Bowyer on the War.

Notes on sermon of Rev. Bowyer at the First Baptist church Sunday night: "The true spirit of Christianity energizes both men and nations. The more dominant the Christian spirit the greater the energy. In nothing is our Christianity more evident than in the remarkable energies which have recently characterized our nation in securing a great army and putting upon the high seas a hastily gathered but magnificent navy. America stands pre-eminent as the friend of the oppressed. Her history declares her the champion of the man or men in need of succor. The war upon which we have, as a nation, been practically forced to enter, is a war the parallel of which history does not contain. Wars for conquest, for territorial domain, for spoils of various kinds, for defense, abound in history. But a magnificent spectacle for future generations to look back upon is a great and mighty nation pouring out its citizen soldiery, its money, its energies for a people, while geographically near us, are yet in other respects far removed. All of which is a declaration of the Christian principle that we are not in existence as a nation for our own pastime or amusement. We do exist for others. We are here and now vigorously restating that old principle that "all men are of right, and ought to be, free and independent."

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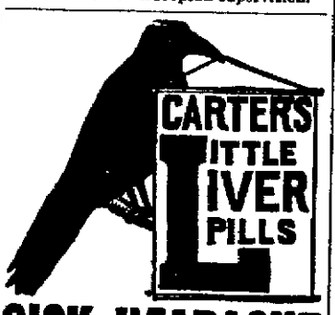

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BENEFACTORS OF THE RACE.

Office of "KINGFISHER TIMES," Kingfisher, Okla., Dec. 12, '93.

GENTLEMEN—I believe it my duty to write you a line in regard to the beneficial effect of Phelps' "Four-C Remedy," so far as I am personally concerned. A week ago last Thursday, I was taken with a severe attack of la grippe and in a short time became so hoarse I could not speak above a whisper. The night previous I coughed nearly the entire night, just before retiring I took a teaspoonful, and slept the entire night as sweetly as ever I did in my life, not coughing once. I was entirely relieved before taking one bottle. Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure should be in every household in the land. I send you this wholly unsolicited by any one, for you are benefactors of the race in giving it the antidote for some of the worst affections to which it is heir. Very truly yours,

C. J. KESBITT, Editor.

A MIRACLE.

Kansas City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '91.

Last Friday, Dec. 19, my attending physician stated that unless I was better by morning he could do nothing for my relief. That night I commenced taking Phelps' "Four-C" Remedy, stopped all other medicines. The first dose stopped my cough; slept and rested well; a few more doses removed all soreness from my lungs; the second day I was up; the third day I was out on the porch and today was up town purchasing holiday goods.

MISS JENNIE BASSETT,
Washington Avenue and Summit St.

GROUP CURED.

One dose of Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure, gave my child instant relief when attacked with the croup.

W. E. MOORE, of Moore Bros., Grocers, Arkansas City, Kansas.

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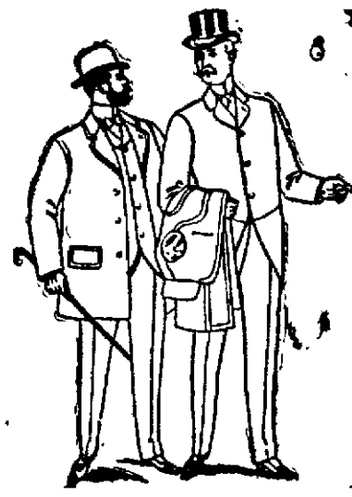

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April 6-4tw

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Wednesday and Thursday, April 27 and 28.

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Watch for Our Grand Uniformed Band!

Street Parade at 11:30 a. m.

Admission—10, 20 and 30c.

New Meat Market.

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COOPER & PRIDDY,

In connection with their Dairy Exchange, have opened a First-Class Meat Market, where a fine assortment of meats will always be on sale. The public are cordially invited to call.

G. W. COLE, formerly with the Parlor Meat Market, will serve you.

NEW PHONE 273.

HAVE YOU TRIED CHASE & SANBORN'S COFFEES?

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LOCAL NEWS.

Davis—Cabs 25c, Trunks 15c.

Maxwell's orchestra is preparing to give a dance on the evening of May 1 at the Chronister hall.

Do not miss the $1 excursion to Indianapolis and return Sunday, May 9, via I. D. & W., 6:30 a. m.

In the county court the appointment of W. P. Shade to assess the cost of the Oakland avenue sewer has been approved.

Arnold's Bromo-Celery cure head aches. 10, 25, 50 cts. Bell, the druggist.

The supreme court has handed down a decision that the insurance companies do not have to pay the policies of persons who commit suicide.

Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on any goods. Collateral, best rates. mch22-tf

Mrs. Hiram Buck and party, who have been traveling in Europe, expect to land in New York City on May 3 and will be in Decatur on May 5.

Garden and Flower Seed, Nasturtium, Sweet Peas, choice mixed in bulk or packages. Kentucky Blue Grass all new and fresh seed. Open evenings. Hughes & Co., Opera House Block.—mar31-dtf

Gus Johnson of this city, who is attending the Morgan Park academy, has secured the scholarship for each of the three terms of school for a reward of his high standing.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron lift pumps, force pumps, chain pumps and pump repairing.—Mar. 1-d&wtf.

Thousands of sufferers from grippe have been restored to health by One Minute Cough Cure. It quickly cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe, asthma, and all throat and lung diseases. H. W. Bell.

The Aetna Life Insurance Company has given notice that those who hold policies in their company may go to war without permission from the company and that the policies will still hold good.

The Latest in Spring Suitings—T. F. Muleady. apr5-d6w

Isaac Yantis of Dalton City has been granted additional pension and Josiah Abbott of this city has been granted an increase of pension through the agency of M. Shea.

Call on Webb C. Foster, 1075 North Water for meat, vegatbles and fruits.

The members of the Decatur Musical club are practicing for the "Chimes of Normandy," which will be given at the opera house early in May. The parts have been assigned.

At 223 North Main street the largest stock of fresh bulk Garden Seed; also the greatest assortment of Flower Seeds ever brought to Decatur. Sweet Peas and Nasturtiums in bulk. Durfee & Culp. feb 9-dtf

Ferris' Comedians, who appeared all last week at the opera house in this city, left yesterday over the Wabash for Marion, Ind.

Roast beef and brown gravy at Andrews' restaurant.—18-3w

Dr. M.D. Pollock, secretary of the local Modern American Fraternal Order has received word from the general offices at Effingham that policy holders in that company may enlist in the war and feel sure that their policies will be paid in full in case of loss of life while in the military service of the United States.

It is a great leap from the old-fashioned doses of blue mass and nauseous physics to the pleasant little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They cure constipation, sick headache and biliousness. H. W. Bell.

First of the season. $1 to Indianapolis and return, Sunday, May 9. Special train leaving Decatur at 6:30 a. m., via I. D. & W.

A meeting of the American Institute will be held Tuesday night. Those who will speak will be Robert I. Hunt, David Patterson, W. E. R. Kell, Wayne C. Williams, W. H. Cattelle and Albert F. Smith.

The Aetna Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., has notified its special agent, J. W. Crane of this city, that under life policies now in force prohibition of war serivce will be suspended without charge on application stating applicant has entered active serivce.

TO LOAN.—On farm or city real estate $1,000 at 6 per cent; smaller amounts at 7 per cent; $4,000 on farm at 6 per cent; $1500 and $5,000 at 7 per cent. Terms very reasonable and loans promptly made. Kuny, Johns & Strohm, Real Estate and Insurance 124 N. Water St. 23-d3t

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Our fresh stock of garden seeds, everything in that line can be had at Leon & Morris' store, 138 East Wood street.—15-dtf

2,000 First Class Books on sale at 10 CENTS EACH.

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T. P. A. BANQUET

Brilliant Closing Events of State Convention.

MUSIC, TOASTS--A FINE FEAST

Covers Laid at the St. Nicholas for 250 Delegates and Guests—State Officers—Danville Next.

The annual state convention of the Illinois Traveling Men's Protective Association closed Saturday afternoon with the business meeting at the K. P. hall, when resolutions of thanks for courtesies extended were adopted and these officers for the ensuing year were elected:

President—Warren Sutliff of Peoria.

First Vice President—J. L. Ide of Bloomington.

Second Vice President—L. C. Barlow of Canton.

Third Vice President—J. G. Bixby of Decatur.

Secretary and Treasurer—Frank H. Putnam of Peoria.

Directors—T. B. Rhoades of Bloomington, two years; J. G. Jones of Peoria, two years; William Nolan, two years; J. D. Stacy, Jr., of Springfield, one year.

It was decided to hold the next annual convention in Danville.

NATIONAL DELEGATES.

The following are the delegates to the national convention: From Post E, C. P. Catlin, B. B. Bolt and C. C. Burroughs; alternates, J. G. Jones, W. C. Nolan and Warren Schaff. From Post C—C. F. Nixon, W. Heggard, Richard Brunt, J. S. Kear and Thad H. Howe; alternates, Angle Harner, J. G. Keith, H. G. Burlingame, W. M. Grove, E. J. Dimmick. From Post H—Charles E. Tull; alternate, J. H. Richey. From Post G—M. Michaels; alternate, D. E. Royston. From Post A—J. M. Irwin; alternate, Charles H. Williamson. From Post F—W. H. Wood; alternate, Charles Fenchter. Post D—J. F. Orr; alternate, A. K. Stacy. From Post K—J. W. Allen; alternate, W. P. Shape. From Post M—W. J. Seed; alternate, W. J. Hacker.

BANQUET AND RECEPTION.

The chief social feature of the convention was the banquet at the St. Nicholas served in the evening with the compliments of Post K. It was a kingly feast to which all of the delegates and their ladies and many Decatur people as special guests were invited. Landlord Laux had been directed to prepare a spread worthy of the occasion and he more than met the expectation of the T. P. A. managers. All were pleased and many were the compliments showered upon Mr. Laux, not only for the quality and variety of the feast, but also for the excellent service. The dining room was handsomely decorated with flags and tropical plants and the parlors were at the disposal of the T. P. A. and their friends. The entire opera house orchestra was present throughout the evening and regaled the company with popular selections. During the feast "Marching Through Georgia," "Dixie," "Yankee Doodle" and "America" were played, inspiring enthusiasm which manifested itself in vigorous applause and chorus singing. When "America" was heard all arose and gave the Chautauqua salute with the napkins.

THE MENU.

Blue Points. Celery.
Consomme Macedoine.
Olives. Radishes.
Boiled Salmon Trout, Hollandaise Sauce.
Patties of Sweet Breads, French Peas.
T. P. A. Punch.
Broiled Spring Chicken—New Potatoes.
Lettuce. Tomato Salad.
Ice Cream. Strawberries.
Assorted Cake. Fruit.
Edan Cheese. Cafe Noir.

The guests were called to order by C. J. McConnell, president of Post K, who bade everybody welcome. Grace was said by Rev. W. H. Penhallegon of the First Presbyterian church. I. H. Snyder of Post K was the toastmaster, a position he filled in a very acceptable manner. The responses to the toasts were as follows: Traveling Salesmen and the Golden Rule, Dr. Penhallegon; Social Features, Charles Williamson, Quincy; The President of the United States, James Keller, Chicago; Incidental Expenses, J. W. Stagg, Springfield; The Boys We Meet, C. Jones, Peoria; Our Ladies, O. L. Wilson, Aurora; Essential Qualities of a Good Traveling Salesman, P. B. Hodgson, Bloomington; Our Families, Rev. W. F. Gillmore, Decatur; The Press, W. F. Calhoun; Our Post, J. G. Bixby, Decatur.

All of the responses were to the point and occasioned considerable merriment.

When the tables were removed there was a short dance, thus closing one of the best meetings of the T. P. A. yet held in the state.

Assignee's Report.

John S. Campbell, assignee for Paul Hullier, the grocer, filed an inventory of assets in the county court Saturday. The inventory shows that the assets are not as great as the estimated value given in the schedule of assignment. The inventory classifies the assets as follows: Total stock of groceries, $752.90; fixtures, horses, etc., $934; accounts, fair to good, $608.61; accounts, fair to doubtful, $608.31; accounts, desperate to worthless, $502.86; total assets, $3706.58. In the deed of assignment the total assets were estimated to be worth $4115.23, so that there is a shrinkage of $1398.65.

BALLAD CONCERT.

To be Given Tuesday Evening at Home of Mrs. O. Z. Green on Prairie Ave.

The following is the program of the ballad concert to be given next Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. O. Z. Green, No. 417 Prairie avenue:

Mandolin Orchestra.

(a) At Parting, (b) Dear When I Gase, Rogers—Miss Beatrice Howard.

I Think of Thee, Abt—Mr. Bunn.

(a) Obstination, DeFontenailles; (b) Irish Folk Song, Foote—Miss Irene Armstrong.

Conquered, St. Quentin—Troy Alexander.

Spring Song, O'Neill—Mrs. Fred Stoner.

To Mary, White—Miss Howard.

Why Do I Love Thee, Porter—Joe Stout.

May Morning, Denzal—Miss Armstrong.

Good Bye to the Leaves, DeKoven—Mrs. Stoner.

Mandolin Orchestra.

THE STAGE.

MINSTRELS TWO NIGHTS.

Jacksonville Journal: "Nearly a thousand people witnessed the performance of the Beach & Bowers' troupe last evening and every one seemed to go away well pleased. Certainly with a popular entertainment popular prices tell. The songs, dancing and grand finale of the first part were all excellent and were heartily received and many of them encored. The second part contained quite a number of specialties which were immensely taking." The minstrels will be at the Grand Wednesday and Thursday nights this week at popular prices.

"THE TARRYTOWN WIDOW."

A brilliant and entertaining comedy will be found in "The Tarrytown Widow," which comes to the Grand next Friday, April 29. While it is not what is known in theatrical parlance as "high comedy" it is nevertheless, by reason of its humor and its unctuousness, in every way entitled to an important position among the numerous comedy productions of recent years. The complications are enormously funny and are naturally arrived at and with the introduction of new songs and dances an evening's entertainment of merit and pleasure is an assured fact.

$75,000!

Rev. H. O. Hoffman, general agent of the Knights Templar and Masons Life Indemnity Company of Chicago, has written over $75,000 business in our city for his company in three weeks. He is the gentleman who paid the death losses of Henry F. May, $5000 and John K. Muncie $5000 a couple of weeks ago. He will be in the city the rest of this week only and may be found or addressed at 442 North Water street, the old Lake property. The best citizens of our city are among the policy holders of this excellent company.

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We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Will Have a Teacher.

The members of the active Turner class have decided to have Fred Lorns, a turn tacher of Bloomington, come to this city once a week to instruct them. He will come every Sunday and give the class instructions and this arrangement will be kept up until a permanent teacher can be secured by this city. Albert Rubesamen has been teaching the class and the members expect to go to Moline next June and endeavor to carry away some of the prizes at the state meeting.

Grand Lodge Meeting

and reunion of the B. P. O. Elks. Low rate excursion to New Orleans, La., via Illinois Central railroad on May 6, 7 and 8 good returning fifteen days from date of sale. $20.15 for round trip. Tickets on sale at City Office or Union Depot.

Filed a Suit.

In the circuit court Mrs. Florence Hoyland, through her attorney, W. N. Andrews, has filed a suit against Albert Houston and Ferdinand Reitz, to recover $1000. It is alleged that the husband of the woman has lost about $1000 in the gambling rooms of the city.

Baseball Notes.

Sunday afternoon at the east end diamond was witnessed a game of ball between Capie Morrissee's nine and the Jasper street nine, which resulted in a score of 34 to 6 in favor of the Jasper street nine.

PASTORS SPEAK

Stirring Patriotic Sermon by Dr. W. F. Gillmore.

MR. HOFFMAN IN THE PULPIT

Former Pastor of the Church on the War—Decatur Guards at the C. P. Church in a Body at Night.

Patriotic services were enjoyed by a large audience at the Grace M. E. church on Sunday night. The opening prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Scott of Chicago. The music was especially inspiring, the chorus choir singing, "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Old Glory was over the pulpit and the pastor wore a Cuban badge.

The sermon by Dr. Gillmore, the pastor was on war and he took as his text the words "A sound of battle is in the land, and of great distruction." Rev. Gillmore said that after the destruction of the Maine he wanted war at once, but he had since learned that the United States was not ready for a naval war because of a lack of ammunition. In this we differ from Great Britain, who is always ready. Rev. Gillmore also spoke of great events which have occurred on the 19th day of April and during April. The civil war begun in April and closed on April 9, and the war with Spain began in April. The speaker eloquently referred to the war in Israel under the General Jushua. There were no allies and the black flag was seen, but God was in the reserve and Joshua was victorious. God helps man when the time of the impossible is reached. The background of history is lurid with the glow of battle. David was a shepherd, but when his flock was attacked he was mighty in battle. History is made by a war—not only of physical strength, but of mental and spiritual battles.

In referring to the civil war the speaker said that since the 19th of April, 1898, this was an united country and that the blue and the gray were one. Rev. Gillmore spoke of the fact that we were much better equipped for war than ever before in history. The soldiers were made more comfortable and many modern conveniences had been added to the soldier's outfit.

TALK BY H. O. HOFFMAN.

A happy surprise was given to the audience. Rev. H.O. Hoffman, who was pastor of the Grace M. E. church 27 years ago, was in the audience and was called to the pulpit by Dr. Gillmore. Rev. Hoffman was received enthusiastically by those present and spoke of the troublous times. He said: "Our war with Spain will not amount to a great deal, but the nations of the earth are trembling and the rumblings in the air may indicate that the end of the world is drawing nigh." He spoke of the horrors of war and referred to Jesus as the prince of peace.

Both Rev. Gillmore and Rev. Hoffman served in the civil war. Rev. Hoffman spoke of the great changes which had taken place in the years in which he had been absent from Decatur. However there were several familiar faces and many of the old friends of Rev. Hoffman came to the front to greet their pastor of a quarter of a century ago.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.

The ladies of the L. M. and N. division of the First M. E. church held a meeting at the church this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Arrangements were made to hold a social in the near future.

The Senior Christian Endeavor society of the First M. E. church had charge of the services at the Anna B. Millikin home yesterday afternoon.

At the meeting of the Senior Christian Endeavor society of the First M. E. church tonight the semi-annual election of officers will take place.

The Junior Christian Endeavor society of the church will give a social at the church on Thursday evening.

Rev. Mrs. C. P. Hard of Hammond spoke at the Wesley church last night on the "Inner Life of the Heathen." Mrs. Hard is the daughter of an officer in the English army and was born in India. Both she and her husband devoted a great part of their life to the missionary work

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DECLARATION OF WAR

Continued from First Page.

the tongues of flame shoot out from Morro Castle. He glanced in the direction of the Spanish fortifications for a few seconds and then turned his back on them in silent contempt and went back to his bed, perfectly certain the Spaniards could do no damage at five miles, which was then the approximate distance of the flagship from Morro Castle.

Another officer said: "The Spaniards probably became nervous and decided they could not sleep without some fireworks. They can't hit anything, anyway."

There was no excitement on board the flagship during Morro Castle's futile attempt at gunnery. The discipline was really splendid. In fact at this hour many people on board the flagship do not know that Spain's first guns of war have been fired and that the New York was their target.

President McKinley at Church.

Washington, April 25.—For the president and his cabinet circle Sunday passed quietly and uneventfully. Secretary Alger escorted his daughter to the white house during the morning, and the latter, in company with the president, attended divine serivce at the Metropolitan Methodist church, Secretary Alger going to a Presbyterian church. Secretary and Mrs. Gage also drove to the white house and accompanied the president and Miss Alger to the Metropolitan. Mrs. McKinley has not yet returned from her trip to New York city.

High Food Prices in Havana.

Key West, Fla., April 25.—The first pinch of the blockade is felt in Havana. Prices of food have gone up 50 per cent above normal—20 per cent since the blockade was established. Food is already so scarce that even at these high prices it is almost unobtainable. The silent pressure of the cordon of American warships weighs more and more heavily on the Spaniards. The fate of the reconcentrados now threatens them. Hunger has already appeared among the poorer classes. Havana was unprepared for a blockade. Food began to advance April 13, and was 30 per cent above the normal when the blockade began. Food and coal are arriving in Havana from the stores in other ports from which there is rail communication, but all the food is converted into army rations.

Members of the produce and stock exchanges are trying to avert panic by promising their personal fortunes to succor the people. The Produce Exchange will expel every member who tries to speculate on the rise in prices.

Spaniards and the Torch.

Kingston, Jamaica, April 25.—Fugitives from Guantanamo, in the province of Santiago de Cuba, say Spanish troops are concentrating in the principal seacoast cities and are laying waste by fire interior towns and plantations.

It is feared devastation will be complete before Americans can occupy that territory.

England to Give Formal Notice.

London April 25.—The foreign office expects to publish tomorrow evening a formal noitce that all warships of belligerents must leave the British ports within 24 hours.

The foreign office has been offically notified of the proclamation of the president of the United States in regard to neutral vessels and neutral goods, and the blockade of Cuba.

Will Protect French Interests.

St. Thomas, West Indies, April 25.—A French cruiser leaves tomorrow for San Juan, Porto Rico, to protect the interests of France.

Quick Obedience.

Queenstown, April 3.—The British admiral ordered the Spanish topredo boat, Audaz, to leave this port before six a. m. today, owing to the proclamation of neutrality issued by the British government. She left at 5:45 a. m. probably for Ferrol or Cadiz to complete repairs.

First Spanish Shot.

Key West, April 25.—The first Spanish shots fired at the American flag were directed against the torpedo boat, Foote, Saturday evening while she was taking soundings in Matanzas harbor.

Resignation of Secretary Sherman.

Washington, April 25.—Another resignation from the cabinet occurred today when the venerable secretary of state, John Sherman, handed his resignation to the president at the special meeting of the cabinet. It took affect today at noon. The reason for the resignation is the condition of the secretary's health which is greatly impaired as the result of years of devotion to public service and the arduous labors of a lifetime, added to age, the secretary now being within a few days of 75 years of age. It is altogether probable that the next secretary of state will be William R. Day, the first assistant. He has been urged to take it by the president. Judge Day has had entire charge of Cuban affairs almost since the beginning of the present administration

Naval Battalion to Move.

Alton, Ill., April 25.—The third division of the second battalion of the Naval Militia of Illinois, stationed here, received orders today from Springfield to be ready tonight to move. Where they are to go is not known at this time. The division is under command of Lieut. Edward V. Crossman, and consists of three officers, ten warrant officers and 48 landsmen. They are ready to move on short notice.

Early Washington News.

Washington, April 25.—The senate committee on foreign relations met at 11 o'clock to prepare the declaration of war.

The war revenue bill will not be reported to the senate until tomorrow. It is not expected to pass until late in the week.

The foreign relations committee of the senate will report the declaration of war this afternoon.

The war department this afternoon will notify the governors of states of the quota of troops they are expected to furnish under the call for volunteers.

The president's message recommending a war declaration has been presented to congress.

The senate committee on military affairs has decided that there are no defects in the volunteer army bill, such as will require amendment.

Theodore Roosevelt will be appointed lieutenant colonel of the regiment he will raise.

Secretary Sherman's resignation was tendered at 12:15. Judge Day has been chosen to succeed him.

Roosevelt's regiment will be made up of cowboys raised by him. Dr. Wood, the president's family physician, now in the medical department of the regular army, will be colonel.

The Columbia.

Block Island, L. I., April 25.—A war vessel with four smokestacks passed here this morning headed for Newport. She is believed to be the United States cruiser Columbia.

Newport, R. I., April 25.—The United States cruiser Columbia passed Fort Adams at 11 o'clock this morning, bound in.

The officers of the Columbia say they are entirely ignorant of the nature of their visit here. The arrival of the vessel was reported to Washington and is awaiting orders. The Columbia left Hampton Roads Saturday at midnight and four hours later parted company with the Minneapolis and steamed at full speed here.

Day to Succeed Sherman.

Washington, April 25.—Secretary Sherman has tendered his resignation to take effect at the close of today's business. Assistant Secretary Day can succeed him if he will.

Canton, Ohio, April 25.—Judge Day is now here and will accept the secretaryship of state in succession to Secretary Sherman, if nominated by the president.

War News at Springfield.

Springfield, Ill., April 25.—Congressman Campbell called on the governor and tendered his services with a full regiment of 12 companies, raised by him in his district, fully officered and ready to fight Spain. Mr. Campbell says he will resign as soon as the services of his regiment are accepted by the government. He is assured his regiment will be among the first called on after the militia is all in.

Gen. J. W. Vance of Springfield has completed the enlistment of his regiment of full 12 companies.

Delbert Taylor and Carl Tanner, aged 16, of Red Oak, ran away from home and have interviewed the governor. They want to be drummer boys.

New York Regulations.

New York, April 25.—The regulations touching the entrance and exit of vessels during the time of war have been put into effect at this harbor by the war department. No movement of vessels at night will be allowed.

Where is the Minneapolis?

Newport, R. I., April 25.—The officers of the cruiser Columbia say they parted company with the Minneapolis immediately after leaving Hampton Roads.

Queen is Hopeful.

Paris, April 25.—It is announced here that the queen regent of Spain still hopes for peaceful foreign intervention.

That Spanish Fleet.

St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands, April 5.—The Spanish fleet is still here. It is expected to sail tomorrow.

Plenty of Cash.

Washington, April 25.—The senate passed the naval appropriation bill and took up the army reorganization bill. An amendment was inserted in the naval bill appropriating $8,890,000 to enable the secretary of the navy to secure enlistments for the navy.

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The house bill, declaring war, was delivered to the senate. On motion of Senator Davis its consideration was begun behind closed doors.

Action in the House for War.

Washington, April 25.—In the house immediately after prayer the president's message suggesting a declaration of war was read. It was listened to with profound attention. There was no demonstration. It was referred to the committee on foreign affairs and the house proceeded with District of Columbia business. Shortly after 1 p. m. business was interrupted by Representative Adams of the committee on foreign affairs, who reported the bill declaring the existence of a state of war with Spain, and asked unanimous consent for its consideration. There was no dissent and the bill was read amid impressive silence. The bill was then put through to a third reading and passed by a unanimous chorus of "ayes," just one minute and forty seconds having been consumed in the consideration. The action is considered without precedent in its impressive celerity in the legislative annals of any country. The house then took up the election case.

Patriotic Kansans.

Topeka, Kan., April 25.—Governor Leedy says that 20,000 volunteers have offered their services in Kansas.

Call for Militia.

Washington, April 25.—The war department has called on the different states for their quota of volunteers. The quota of Illinois is seven regiments of infantry and one of cavalry.

Iowa will be called on for three regiments of infantry and two light batteris. Wisconsin three regiments of infantry.

Sailed.

Hongkong, April 25.—The remainder of the United States squadron has left here.

News from Close to Cuba.

Key West, Fla., April 25.—A copyrighted Associated Press dispatch, dated off Matanzas, says it is alleged that two Spanish gunboats seen in shore, but the report is not verified. No captures have been reported by the fleet off Matanzas. The Dauntless was overhauled by the torpedo boat Dupont while inside the prescribed limits, but was not detained after identity was established. They exchanged news, bringing mail from the cruiser Cincinnati. There has been no incident worth mentioning since the capture of the Spanish steamer Catalina and two schooners at an early hour yesterday by the fleet off Havana. The Nashville and Castine are doubtless still off Cienfuegos.

Roosevelt Out.

Washington, April 25—Theodore Roosevelt has resigned as assistant secretary of the navy to take effect at the president's convenience after the commencement of active military operations.

BLANCO TO THE SPANIARDS

Appeal for Loyal Subjects and Insurgents to Fight for the Crown.

Havana, April 25.—Captain General Blanco has had published and posted this manifesto:

"The general government of the island of Cuba to the inhabitants of the island of Cuba:

"Without any reason or legality, without the least offense on our part, and at a time when they have received from us only proofs of friendship, the United States is forcing us into a war just at the moment when quietude began to settle over the country, when production was flourishing, commerce taking courage, and peace approaching with the co-operation of all classes and all parties under the new institutions granted by the mother country.

"Such a proceeding is without precedent in history. It evidently manifests the bogus politics of the republic, demonstrating the tricky plans and purposes that have always been nourished against Spain's sovereignty in Cuba, which the enemy has been conspiring for nearly a century to destroy. Our foes now carry their hypocrisy and falsehood to the extent of demanding immediate peace in a war provoked and sustained by themselves. Her prudence and moderation have been of no avail to Spain, though she has carried her concessions to the extreme limit of toleration in order to avoid a rupture.

"She still deplores this state of affairs, but she accepts it with all the energy inspired by a glorious national history and the pride of her people, a pride which will never yield to the strangers' demands nor consent to see Spain's right and reason trampled upon by a nation of nobodies. If the United States wants the island of Cuba let it come and take it. Perhaps the hour is not far distant in which those Carthaginians of America will find their zama in this island of Cuba, which Spain discovered, peopled and civilized and which will never be anything but Spanish.

"It is our turn to have the honor of defending her and we will know how to do it with decision and an effort many a time put forth. I count upon you for this with absolute certainty. I believe there is no sacrifice you are not prepared to make in defense of the national territory, whose integrity is sacred to all Spaniards of whatever origin. I am sure that everyone in whose veins runs Spanish blood will respond readily to the call which in these solemn moments I address to all, and that all will group themselves around me to contribute as much as they can to repel a foreign invasion, without allowing dangers, suffering, or privations to weaken the heart of courage.

"To arms, then, fellow countrymen, to arms! There will be a place for all in the fight. Let all co-operate and contribute with the same firmness and enthusiasm to fight the eternal enemy of the Spanish name, emulating the exploits of our ancestors, who always exalted high their country's fame and honor. To arms! Cry a thousand times 'Viva Espana' 'Viva El Rey Alfonso XIII.,' 'Viva la Regente,' 'Viva Cuba, always Spanish.' Your governor general, Ramon Blanco

THE VOLUNTEERS

Several Hundred Men Have Offered Their Services.

CAPT. DURFEE'S COMPANY

Number One Hundred and Fifty Men and May be Called Any Time —The Artillery Being Formed.

Captain Durfee's company of volunteers now numbers 150 men. That many have signed their names pledging themselves to respond to a call for volunteers. Over 40 have put down their names today. The following are the names of those who have signed their names as volunteers since Saturday evening: W. F. Dennis, Jr., C. A. Norris, John E. Magee, Charles H. Burke, J. W. Murphy, A. Peck, Charles Virgil, Robert Reeve, Bert C. Bobb, H. Burns, Frank Frost, Fred Stout, Fred J. McDonald, Herbert J. Diller, Decatur; Will Troy and Albert Giblin of Bement, D. Reighley, Fred Kitch, James Cooper, Homer D. Witt of Moweaqua, Charles Conklin, Clyde Arnold, Elmer Elder of Boody, Augustus Finkenbinder, Cyrus L. Moore, Fred E. McCracken, Charles N. Hanks, Jesse J. Naff and Jesse M. Pride of Warrensburg, Richard T. Clegg of Latham, William Blockwell, Charles Hine and O. Finnigan of Macon, J. L. Dale and M. E. Ellis of Blue Mound, Bert H. Moma of Mt. Zion, J. E. Allen of Illiopolis, Luther Kaskaites of Niantic and James Bodine of Windsor.

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$5 will get a Vestee Suit that is a beauty, made of all wool covert cloth, trimmed in green broadcloth, interlaced braid on corners of the big sailor collar, double rows of pearl buttons on vest and coat, pearl chain, braid on front of coat and around collar, vestee embroidered with silk anchor.

$4.75 gets a handsome tan and brown plaid Velour Cassimere, trimmed with wide brown Soutache braid, narrow tan braid between, on corners of collar interlaced braid, vest with two pockets, big pearl buttons. Exquisite tailoring.

$4.50 gets another handsome dark bottle green serge, trimmed with narrow black silk braid, upper part of vestee red broadcloth, pearl buttons, decidedly dressy and swell and worth more money.

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$7.00 for strictly all wool Cheviots, small brown plaids, faced back to arm holes—best of workmanship, good style, made in cutaway sack and double breasted styles, strictly in fashion, perfect fitting.

$10 For Suits, perfection in fit, fashion and fabric, all wool Cheviots, Cassimeres, Serges and Worsteds, single and double breasted sacks, pin checks and fancy mixtures, worth more money.

$12.50 For handsome Cassimeres, Velours, Worsteds, single breasted, round corner and square cut, first class workmanship, style without fault, durable and sure to give satisfaction.

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New Mouseline de Soie Ties in Cream and Colors—very stylish. Handsome line of Fancy Stocks, edged with the new Bebe Ruching—the latest idea in Women's fashionable Neckdressings.

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A lot of 15c, 20c and 25c grades—Men's Linen "lay down" and "stand up" Collars—every new and fashionable shape —some badly soiled from handling and display. A two-cent laundry bill will make them good as new. Choice of lot at..... 10c

KEEP THE ARMORY

The Guards Will Not Give It Up.

AN EFFORT WILL BE MADE

To Pay the Rent While Company H is in the Field—The Men Didn't Like the Governor's Order.

An order issued a few days ago by Governor Tanner to the militia all over the state is to the effect that the companies must cancel all leases and contracts. This would of course apply to Company H and the order will make it necessary to give up their armory. There is considerable feeling in the company against the order as they feel that they should not be deprived of their armory. The place was especially built for them and at least $1000

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Seventy-five Women's Spring Jackets—New English Box and Shield Front—Kersey, Whip Cord, English Clay and Covert Cloths—many full Taffeta Silk Lined—worth in a regular way to $10. Choice of lot this week at— $4.98

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Just two lots that we're anxious that you should know about—both priced under value.

Black Brocaded India Silks—24 inches wide—a great assortment of choice patterns in medium and small effects—absolutely worth 85c yard, at yd 69c

Fancy Silks for Waists in Ombre Stripes—the very latest color fad—not to be found elsewhere in the city, selling everywhere at $1 yard, this week at yard..... 79c

VERY SPECIAL—Cheney Bros.' New Foulard Silks (24 inches wide) are known and admired by every stylish dresser. A goodly assortment came to us last week in solid and Satin Striped Grounds in several pretty plain colors, with white and tri colored designs. Unusually cheap at, yard..... 75c

See East Main Street Show Window.

Girl's Reefers.

Children's and Misses' Reefer Jackets—box or fly front effects—self faced—good collection of plain and novelty goods—actually good values at $3.25. A special at..... $1.75

Two Towels.

Good Linen Huck Towels—22x44 worth 25c. This week at..... 19c

Damask Towels—Fancy Border Knotted Fringe, good size, worth 25c. This week .. 19c

VERY SPECIAL.

Fancy Ribbons—three and four inches wide—for ties and sashes—worth to 25c yard. Only—

12½c yd

VERY SPECIAL.

39c Summer Corsets—Special at—

25c.

Long and Short Waist Corsets—finished like $100 goods. Only—

50c.

AMERICAN FLAGS FOR DECORATING PURPOSES.

Muslin Flags Mounted on Sticks.

Size 18x28 For..... 12½c

Size 27x43 For..... 20c

All Wool Bunting Flags.

8 foot size.....$3.50
12 foot size 6.50
10 foot size..... 3.98
16 foot size..... 8.75

Small Flags, per doz. Five Cents.

VERY SPECIAL.

20 White Fringed Bed Spreads—worth $2.25. To close out this small lot we offer you pick of this lot at only—

$1.49

VERY SPECIAL.

26-inch Black Serge Umbrellas—Natural Wood Stick with Decorated Porcelain Knobs—very serviceable—worth 75c. Only—

59c.

WOMENS' NECKWEAR.

New Mouseline de Soie Ties in Cream and Colors—very stylish. Handsome line of Fancy Stocks, edged with the new Bebe Ruching—the latest idea in Women's fashionable Neckdressings.

Embroidered White Mull Ties Only..... 15c

Beautiful Swiss Ties—trimmed with Val edge—Pink, Maize, Light, Blue and Cream. Only 25c

"The Lady Babbie" Puff Ties for women—dainty solid colors, checks and stripes at $1.00, 75c and 50c

SOILED COLLARS.

A lot of 15c, 20c and 25c grades—Men's Linen "lay down" and "stand up" Collars—every new and fashionable shape—some badly soiled from handling and display. A two-cent laundry bill will make them good as new. Choice of lot at..... 10c

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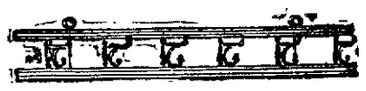
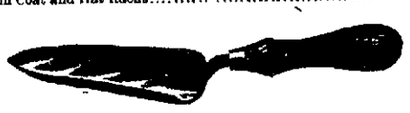
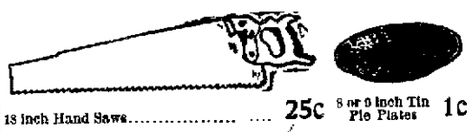


6 hook Clothes Racks 5c

10 pin Coat and Hat Racks..... 10c



7 inch Garden Trowels, steel blade, wood handle..... 2c



18 inch Hand Saws..... 25c

8 or 9 inch Tin Pie Plates 1c

No. 8 Galvanized Iron Wash Boiler, strongest and best made..... 48c

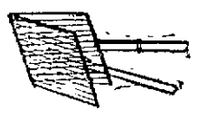
"Star" Curtain Stretchers, 7x11..... 79c

4 pieces Crystal Glass Table Sets—Sugar Bowl, Covered Butter Dish, Spoon Holder and Creamer Set..... 19c

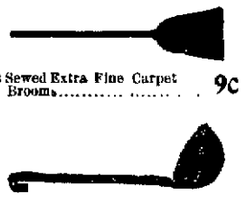
Royal Ice Cream Dishers, extra heavy tin, any size..... 10c

White Iron Stone China Plates, all sizes 3c

3 quart Heavy Tin Sprinkling Cans..... 9c



Heavy Wire Meat Broilers..... 3c



3 Sewed Extra Fine Carpet Brooms..... 9c

Granite Iron Soup Ladels 5c

Hunter's Large Size Heavy Tin Flour Sieves..... 5c

Iron Bracket Lamps with glass reflector, large burner and chimney, complete... 33c

Glass Stand Lamps, complete, with burner and chimney..... 15c

Asbestos Stove Mats, metal rim..... 1c

Lace Shelf Paper, any color, 10 yards for..... 2c

Rutherford's Wall Paper Cleaner—1 can will clean a large room..... 15c

Genuine "Novelty" "Universal" or "Keystone" Wood Frame Clothes Wringers guaranteed for two years—Choice . $1.98

"Ladies Pride" Tack Hammers, with claw..... 3c

Carpet Tacks, any size, large boxes 1c

Full Size Glass Table Tumblers. 1c

8 drawer Spice Cabinets, nicely varnished, names of Spices on drawers 39c

Japanned Dust Pans, large size..... 2c

2 Hoop Wood Water Pails..... 8c

Genuine Lily Indurated Fiber Water Pails. 25c

White Iron Stone China Cups and Saucers—set . 3c

Imitation Cut Glass Vinegar Bottles large size..... 10c

TABLE LINENS.

Three specials for this week—genuine price surprises.

72-inch Cream Table Damask—newest designs—sells regularly at 50c. For this week, at yard 39c

60 inch Turkey Red Table Damask—many pretty patterns—sells regularly at 35c. For this week, at yd 22c

60-inch Buff Table Damask—a host of neat figures—sells regularly at 30c. For this week at, yd— 19c

WASH FABRICS.

One case of French Cambrics—36 inches wide—elegant colorings—a specially desirable fabric for Shirt Waists, or Dresses, and unusually low priced at, yard..... 15c

VERY SPECIAL—A great lot of Manufacturers' Mill Ends of fine Dress Ginghams—from 1 to 12 yards in a piece. These goods worth 12½c yd go on sale Monday at, yard— 8½c

KEEP THE ARMORY

The Guards Will Not Give It Up.

AN EFFORT WILL BE MADE

To Pay the Rent While Company H is in the Field—The Men Didn't Like the Governor's Order.

An order issued a few days ago by Governor Tanner to the militia all over the state is to the effect that the companies must cancel all leases and contracts. This would of course apply to Company H and the order will make it necessary to give up their armory. There is considerable feeling in the company against the order as they feel that they should not be deprived of their armory. The place was especially built for them and at least $1600 was expended in fixtures and furnishings. If the armory is given up it will be necessary for these fixtures to be sold at a sacrifice. The Guards may not be gone long and when they return they would have no headquarters and it would take considerable money to establish quarters such as they now occupy.

The order, however, must of course be obeyed, but owing to the patriotism of the citizens of Decatur the armory will be kept so that the company will have a home to come to when they return. Peter Loeb, the landlord, has made it known that he will not let the doors of the armory be shut against the company and the matter will be taken up by others. The members of the Dorcas society will hold a meeting tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the armory at which time the matter will be discussed. The idea is to raise money by giving entertainments and in other ways so that the rent of the armory can be paid and the company not loose the place and be forced to make the sacrifice necessary if the armory was given up. The members of the company were indignant when they learned of the order issued by the governor, but they are now at ease as they have been assured that the armory will be here for them when they return.

At the Poor Farm.

John Wooten, an inmate of the poor farm, dislocated his arm at the elbow several days ago and yesterday Dr. Wilhelmy, the county physician, reduced the dislocation. The man is somewhat demented and his mania is to lift everyone that he sees.

John Beasley of Argenta, has been brought to the poor farm. His mother and father and one brother died at the poor farm. Steward Burley now has just 40 inmates under his care.

A Mock Funeral.

At St. Patrick's Catholic church next Wednesday morning a mock funeral will be held in memory of the late Very Rev. Father P. J. Macken. It is customary in the Catholic church when priests are buried to repeat the services just one month after the funeral. There will be about 50 priests present and the mass will probably be celebrated by Rev. Michael Macken of Chicago. There will be an empty casket in the church and the funeral services will be carried out as it was when Father Macken was buried.

—W. H. Quinlan, lieutenant of 3rd division, 1st battalion and judge advocate of the battalion naval militia of Illinois, returned to Chicago last night, from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Quinlan. The battalion have orders to be ready to move on 24 hours notice.

PRICES BOOMING IN CHICAGO

Almost a Panicky Market in May Wheat—Everything Up.

Chicago, April 25.—All grain provision markets scored big advances today. The situation was almost panicky at times. May wheat was bid up to $1.26, an advance of six cents over Saturday, nearly all of which was maintained. Other options were higher, mainly on strong cables and spring wheat markets. Liverpool closed up to 5¼d for the day and at one time at Minneapolis showed a gain of over nine cents. Corn and oats show clear gains in sympathy. Pork opened strong and was soon up to 40 cents over SSaturday. Lard and ribs were proportionally strong, though ribs lost a portion of the advance others closed at the top.

Address to Castelar.

Madrid, April 25.—Twenty thousand Republicans signed an address to Castelar, under the pretext of congratulating him upon his recovery from sickness, but in reality offering him support if he proclaims a republic.

FOR SALE—A desirable vacant lot well located; worth $600. Owner needs money and will sell cheap for cash. Apply to Geo. Lower, Real Estate Dealer, Loan and Insurance Agent; rent houses, collect rents, etc. Room 2, Library block. 26-d6*

FULL LIST OF SPANISH PRIZES

Uncle Sam's Seamen Kept Busy Taking in Everything in Sight.

Key West, Fla., April 25.—Thus far there have been nine captures of Spanish boats by the United States, as follows:

The Beuna Ventura, by the Nashville.

The Pedro, by the New York.

The steamship Miquel Jover, with a cargo worth $600,000, captured by the Helena.

The Mathilde, loaded with rum, captured by the torpedo boat Porter.

A fishing smack, chased by the torpedo boat Erricson, and caught right under the guns of Morro Castle.

The schooner Candida, loaded with sugar, caught by the Porter.

The Catalina, a Spanish merchantman, loaded with chickens and other supplies for Havana, captured by the Detroit and New York.

Two small coasting steamers, by the Wilmington and Cushing

All of the prizes are in the harbor at Key West.

Flags Exhibited.

There were a good many American flags afloat today in the city. A number of large flags were hung out at the court house and many of the business houses had flags out.

Senate's Quick Action.

Washington, April 25.—The senate passed the house war bill without amendment. It now goes to the president.

The People are buying their goods at the

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OUR COFFEE at 15c per lb.

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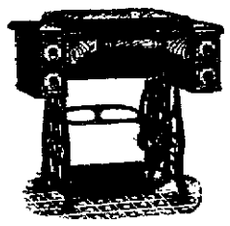

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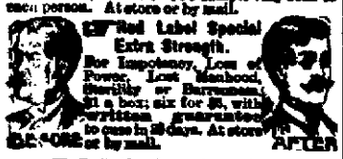

W. Bell, the druggist, sole agt., cor. Main and North Sts., Decatur, Ills.

TRAPPING FOR FUR.

Hunters Kept Busy in the Maine Woods Supplying the Trade.

Owing to the sudden drop in the price of skunk pelts and other coarser kinds of furs, the buyers are offering high figures for prime otter skins. The Maine woods, frequently, are full of men who are making a good living by trapping.

Though an otter is not a hard animal to catch, it is a very difficult creature to hold. Consequently special traps have to be made for the business. The traps, which are toothless, having wide jaws that pinch without cutting, are set along streams near the blowholes, where the small fish congregate. If possible, a trap is set at the entrance of a blowhole, and concealed with a covering of light brush or snow. A long chain is made fast to the ice so that the animal cannot get away with the trap, and a ten-pound stone is attached to the trap for the purpose of drowning the otter when it plunges into the water after getting caught. Other traps are set in swamps and baited with fresh fish. Here the traps are attached to spring poles that lift the otter and trap high in the air. These precautions are taken because an otter will eat off his legs and set himself free five minutes after he is caught unless he is placed in a position where he is unable to bite. Traps are also set upon the sides of steep snowy banks that lead down to the lakes, so the otters may slide into them when at play.

There is always a good demand for sable fur, and though these little animals are never plentiful in Maine, they are easily caught, and no fur hunter ever goes to the woods without carrying a few sable traps. The favorite way of catching sable is to bore a two-inch auger hole in the trunk of a growing tree and place honey in the further end of the hole. Horseshoe nails are driven in from the outside so that their points converge on the inside of the hole. When a sable, attached by the smell of the honey, puts its head into the hole, the point of the nails catch him by the neck and hold him until the trapper comes. After the sable is killed the nails are drawn out with a claw hammer, and when they are reinserted the trap is set. Sables are also caught in small steel traps such as are used for muskrats.

The unprecedented demand for polecat and lynx skins is due to a bounty of two dollars, which the state offered last winter. Hitherto nobody would waste powder on the polecats, as their pelts were not worth taking off, but now that the state has made them valuable, a large number of hunters are earning good wages at catching polecats for the bounty. The polecat is an unsuspecting, heedless animal that may be caught as easily as a skunk. Though this law was not passed until last March, the state has already paid out more than $2,000 in polecat bounties. If the supply holds out, a good number of bounty hunters will get rich before spring.

The blackcat or fisher, as it is called in Maine, wears a coat that is worth from three to five dollars, acording to size and quality, and is caught in fox traps. The traps are not made fast to any stationary object, but have toggles of wood attached that leave wide marks in the snow, and retard the progress of the animals caught.

It is estimated that $50,000 worth of furs are taken in Maine every year, of which otter and foxes furnish $15,000 each, and muskrats $10,000, the other $10,000 being divided among sable, mink, blackcats and lynx.—N. Y. Sun.

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Our citizens say they cure backache.
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Experience has taught them this is so.
Conviction for every sufferer.
In the testimony of friends and neighbors.

Mr. W. W. Shockey of 919 West Wood street, Carpenter and Millwright, says: "In the spring of 1895 I had a severe attack of kidney trouble. I was bedridden and the physician who treated me called it kidney colic. Under his treatment I improved some but since then I had a dead aching in the small of my back, which lay there like a heavy pressure. Lifting or stooping always aggravated it and caused sharp pain in my groins, and at such times I suffered from a kidney weakness. Last spring, 1897, I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and so highly recommended by those who had used them that I decided to give them a trial and got a box at a drug store. I read the directions carefully and took them accordingly. Gradually the pain began to leave me and when I had used the whole box I felt so encouraged that I bought a second. When I had taken it I was entirely free from all pain in my back and groin and I have been so ever since. Doan's Kidney Pills are an excellent kidney remedy and as such I can recommend them to anyone in need of a good kidney medicine."

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The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. H. W. Bell.

George Carrier of Monticello was fined $22 for striking Professor Jones across the head with a buggy whip because the latter, when riding a bicycle, could not and did not give all the road to Carrier's buggy.

M. L. Yocum, Cameron, Pa., says: "I was a sufferer for ten years, trying most all kinds of pile remedies, but without success. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was recommended to me. I used one box. It has effected a permanent cure." As a permanent cure for piles DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has no equal. H. W. Bell.

It is estimated that 1180 passenger trains arrive and leave Chicago daily.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. H. W. Bell.

In Ireland an acre comprises 7840 square yards, while in Scotland 6140 go to the acre.

A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can," the druggist recognized a household name for "DeWitt's Little Early Risers," and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, liver and stomach troubles. H. W. Bell.

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Anthracite coal discovered at historic mountain, North Carolina, shows an analysis of 9 per cent carbon.

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Many people have been cured of Kidney diseases by taking a 50c bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Miss Ima Hellpopper of Oklahoma has asked the permission of the court to change her name to Ima Helper.

Have You Had the Grip?

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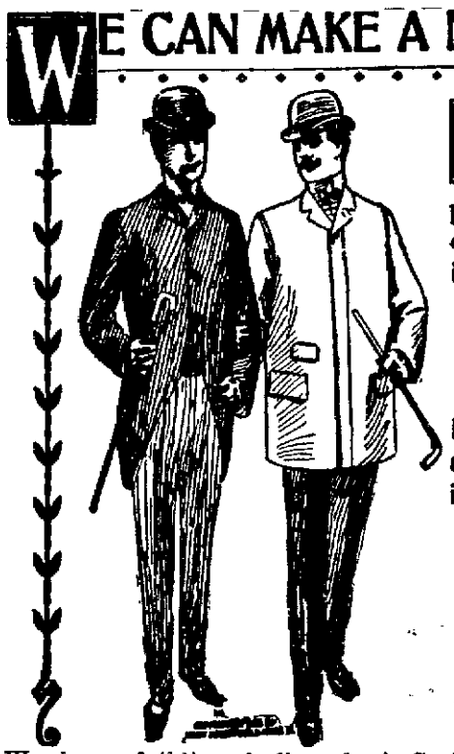

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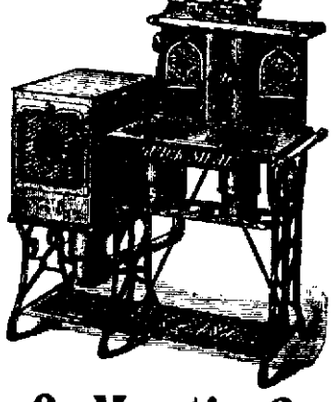

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R. R. TIME TABLES.

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TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	18	* 3 55 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:55 p m
16	† 9:20 a m	17	† 7.35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		**FROM ST. LOUIS.**	
8	* 4:05 a m	6	* 5.25 a m
11	* 7:00 a m	24	*11:25 a m
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D No. 3	10:10 p. m.	A No. 4	6 25 a. m
A No. 11	2:30 p. m.	S No. 36	7 10 a. m
Depart for Peoria		**Depart for Evansville**	
A No. 2	3:00p. m.	A No. 1	10:45 a. m.
A No. 4	6:35 a. m.	D No. 3	10:20 p. m.
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No. 104 Main Line North	* 11.35 a m.
No. 126 Main Line North	† 6.10 p. m.
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No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana	* 3.37 p. m.
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Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.	FROM CHICAGO.
12.......... * 1:05 a m	12.............* 3:55 a m
14.......... *11:45 a m	15.............* 3:55 p m
16..........† 9:20 a m	17.............† 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.	FROM ST. LOUIS.
8..........* 4:05 a m	6..............* 5:25 a m
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It depends upon a number of things To make one rule fit all cases would be impossible. Indeed, the numerous and excellent answers to this question received by Success, differing so widely in their import, have, like the verdict of the travelers concerning the chameleon, "all been right and all been wrong."

There are occasionally men to whom home restraints and home requirements would be exceedingly irksome, even detrimental. They are, by "every implication of their being," free lances—free to roam from land to land, from city to city, from house to house, or to bury themselves in laboratories, or literary dens, or other places where they can be let absolutely alone. Their wanderings, and the things pertaining to them, or their experiments and burrowings, are all they care for. Love would be to them only a secondary consideration, the care of a family a nuisance. For men of this type to marry, early or late, would be a hindrance, because their natural inclinations and habits would cause friction and unhappiness; things which are utterly demoralizing to success.

Ther are, on the other hand, many young men, and perhaps more women, whose hearts are, by isolation, want of sympathy, loneliness, and lack of comfortable living, so dissatisfied that brains and hands refuse to do their potential best; and, in their restlessness, these people spend money needlessly on many things which have in them a possible temporary satisfaction, or which render thought impossible for a time. People of this type, if rightly mated, find in marriage their highest happiness and most efficient help.

To a majority of people a feeling of being settled is necessary to success. Very few men can have this feeling without a home. The student or clerk has his room or his den; the military officer has his quarters; the sea captain, his cabin; the herdsman, his ranch; associated men have their clubs, societies and lodges; but, without a woman, a home is practically unknown.

Few single men save their earnings. During their bachelor days, they are liable to form expensive and careless habits, and to keep bad company, all of which means not only a scattering of dollars, but a dulling of the brain power and hand power by which dollars are earned. Such men need a neutralizing influence, a countermagnet, which will draw and keep them away from demoralizing haunts. This magnet is usually found in a wife and home. "I should never have saved a dollar had I not had a wife's trust, encouragement and counsel and the hope of a home before my eyes," said a young man to the writer.

A young man who takes a wife before he is able to support her puts himself in a very doubtful position as regards great success in life; for, unless he is extremely fortunate, his family demands will increase faster than his ability to meet them. Most self-made rich men say the first thousand was the hardest of all their wealth to accumulate, so that a young man on an ordinary salary, with a family on his hands and no surplus earnings, will find it very difficult to get this first thousand ahead.

Again, when one husband and wife find stimulus and happiness in building up a success inch by inch, another couple would be constantly chafed and irritated by poverty and its deprivations, and so wreck life in an endeavor to procure the wherewithal to live. It is worse still when only one of a married pair feels this impatience of conditions and the irritation from curtailment of expense.

We must, then, conclude that whether early marriage hinders or helps success depends upon three things—the mental and material needs of the individual, his ability to provide satisfactory home conditions and his choice of a mate. These conditions being properly met, early marriage is undoubtedly, in a large majority of cases, not a hindrance, but an immense help to success.—Success.

Parents' Titles.

"I was brought up," said a fond father, "to say father and mother. I never dreamed of saying papa and mamma when I was a child, and I should have made awkward work of it if I had tried. My children until lately have always said papa and mamma. I don't know how they got started that way, but at the outset and for a long time they never thought of saying anything else. Then the older ones took to saying father and mother. They liked these titles better, and they thought they were better form, too, and they taught the younger children also to say father and mother, and now they all say father and mother. The older children soon accustomed themselves to the change; the younger children were a little shy over it at first, but they soon got pretty well used to it, and now we rarely hear in my house papa and mamma; it is father and mother. And I must say I like it better. And I don't think it is because that is the way I was brought up, though these titles certainly do have to me an old and familiar sound that is very pleasant; but I think I like father and mother better, anyway."—N. Y. Sun.

A Quick Cleaner.

Into a saucepan containing three-quarters of a pint of water put a quarter of a pound of powdered glue, and dissolve the latter slowly over the fire. When it is quite melted, add half a pound of powdered whitening, and stir it in gradually. The preparation will now be complete, and may be applied to the doorsteps by means of a stiff brush. It will whiten them nicely, and will not wear off so easily as do the effects of the ordinary step-cleaning.—N. Y. Journal.

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Miss Mabel Wright and R. H. Abbott of Petersburg were married April 21.

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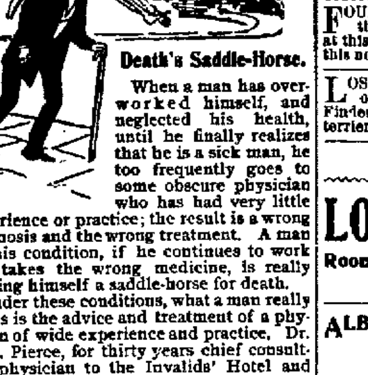
In India butter made from the thin milk of the native cow is blue, instead of yellow.

G. W. Griffin killed two big bull snakes, one 5 feet 7 inches long and the other 4 feet 10 inches long, near Wenona.



Death's Saddle-Horse.

When a man has overworked himself, and neglected his health, until he finally realizes that he is a sick man, he too frequently goes to some obscure physician who has had very little experience or practice; the result is a wrong diagnosis and the wrong treatment. A man in this condition, if he continues to work and takes the wrong medicine, is really making himself a saddle-horse for death.

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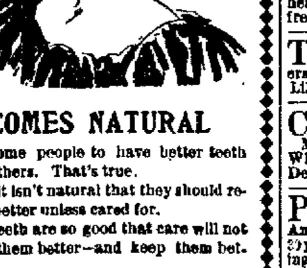

COMES NATURAL

For some people to have better teeth than others. That's true.

But it isn't natural that they should remain better unless cared for.

No teeth are so good that care will not make them better—and keep them better.

No teeth are so strong that neglect will not wear them out.

Durable dentistry, moderate charges, warranted work. Take care of your teeth—you'll need them.

DR. CHILDS, The Dentist.

Rooms 6 and 7, over Bradley Bros.

NO. 115 OLD PHONE.

SEALED BIDS.

Will receive sealed bids for the Paul Huillier grocery stock at 2?3 North Water street until May 1st. The assignee reserves the right to reject any and all bids. J. S. CAMPBELL,
April 24-d1w Assignee.

RHEUMATISM CURED—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was very severe. After suffering for some time I was induced by a friend to take Cerrodanie Capsules without cessation. To my surprise they cured me in a short time. I recommend them to all who suffer with rheumatism or neuralgia. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur Ill. Prepared by The Cerrodanie Co., 31 Syndicate Block, Decatur, Ill.

People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—A cook. Must come well recommended. No Spaniards need apply. Mrs. L. Burrows, 271 West North street. 21-d6*

WANTED—A cook. No washing or ironing. Good wages. References required Apply to Dr. Wm. Barnes, 352 West William street. 21-d1w*

WANTED—Several canvassers for the road. Good pay for good men. E. M. Barker, Palace Hotel. a20-d1w*

WANTED—Girl to do general house work. Good wages paid. Apply at 648 West Prairie street. MRS. J. R. HERRIN. 18-d6

WANTED—Desk room in office. Would not interfere with any business. Address D, this office. 15-d6

WANTED—500 horses to shoe at from 90c up to $1.00 for 4 new shoes, at 124 W. Prairie avenue, Decatur, Ill. T. L. WEAKLY, Prop. April 4-dtf

WANTED—You to give us your orders for carpets to clean and feathers to renovate. Work called for and delivered free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Place of business, 530 Wabash ave, telephone 667. HAYES & ANTHONY. oct 13-dtf.

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

AGENTS WANTED in every water works town in the United States for the 1898 "Modern" filter; latest and most novel designs; first ever made to recharge in one minute; one gross "fibre cotton" fillings (a year's supply) given with each; light, neat, handsome, sells soon as foul matter taken from the water is seen on cotton; retails $1.00; plain faucet attachment retails 75c; full line samples (weight 15 oz.) by mail, 60c; exclusive territory; first samples, first choice; no dealers: guarantee to show sediment in every water system or redeem samples. Jones Mfg. Co., Boston, Mass. 25-d1w

AGENTS WANTED—For War in Cuba, by Senor Quesada, Cuban representative at Washington. Endorsed by Cuban patriots. In tremendous demand. A bonanza for agents. Only $1.50. Big book. Big commissions. Everybody wants the only endorsed reliable book. Outfits free. Credit given. Freight paid. Drop all trash, and make $300 a month with War in Cuba. Address today THE NATIONAL BOOK CONCERN, 352-356 Dearborn st., Chicago. Feb. 23-d4m

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets, East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1760 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-tf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—My large building on Franklin street, suitable for wholesale hay and feed business, livery carriage repair shop, or storage purposes. Building is 60x152 feet and teams can drive through from street to alley in rear. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 404 Powers' Block. apr 16-d2w

LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—A gold ring in the business part of the city. Owner may have same by calling at this office, proving property and paying for this notice. a20-d6

LOST—On April 18, a small Sky terrier; had on collar with name of owner on plate. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning terrier to 237 South Water street. 20-d6*

MONEY TO LOAN.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by **PEGRAM & CO.,**
Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.
Open Evenings Until 8 p. m.

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,
—LOAN BROKER,—
All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
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LOANS...
Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, 187 North Water street.
LOW RATES.
May 20-dtf GEO. W. EHRHART.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AGENTS WANTED—Murat Halstead's Great War Book. "Our Country in War." All about Cuba, Spain, Maine Disaster, armies, navies and coast defenses of U. S., Spain and all nations. Over 500 pages, magnificently illustrated. One agent sold 89 in one day; others are making $39 00 per day. Most liberal terms guaranteed, 20 days credit, price low, freight paid. Handsome outfit free. Send 12 two-cent-stamps to pay postage. Educational Union, 324 Dearborn St., Chicago. 19 d6

STRAYED OR STOLEN—From the premises of Jacob Troutman, four miles west of Decatur, April 13th. a dark roan mare, about 8 years old. Give information about her to D. F. Riddell, Decatur, or to Jacob Troutman. 18-d6*

LADIES, I make big wages at home, and want all to have the same opportunity. The work is very pleasant and will easily pay $18 weekly. This is no deception. I want no money and will gladly send full particulars to all sending stamp. Miss M. A. Stebbins, Lawrence, Mich. 16-d6*

GO TO CHANCE'S, one door south of St Nicholas Hotel, for second-hand goods or gasolene stoves and furniture repairing. The most reliable in the city. apr 13-d2w

MISS NESBITT, Practical Optician, 226 North Main street, carries a full and up-to-date line of all the latest Improved Optical Goods at prices that defy competition. Also a line of heavy weight Spectacle Frames. Eyes tested free. April 8-d2w*

TELEPHONE Old No. 200, New No. 300. for Potted Blooming Plants. Also Cut Flowers, in Roses, Carnations, Hyacinths, Violets, Lilies, Etc. N. BOMMERSBACH. Dec 7-dtf

CURRY & POOLE, MILK DEPOT. Milk, Cream, Butter and Dressed Poultry, Wholesale and Retail, 451 North Water street, Decatur, Ill. Jan 24-dtf

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS, CAVEATS, on quickest and easiest terms. Am associate counsel for Louis Bagger & Co., 30 years' experience as Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. All legal business promptly and carefully attended to. Loans. A. E. PARK, 183 E. Prairie street. NEW PHONE 672. Sept 7-dtf

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 733 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov29 dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. PETER H. BRUECK, agent White Star Line and Hamburg-American Line, 215 N. Main. feb 1-dtf

IF you need a set of De Vinne Price Markers or Rubber Cushion stamp, plain or ornamental, supplies or anything in the Commercial Stamp line, order of J. M. Myers, proprietor of the Decatur Rubber Stamp Works, 301 S. Church street, Citizens' Phone, 117, Decatur, Ill. mar 1-dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 16-dtf

Legal Advs.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois. Henrietta Rucker, John L. Rucker, Emma E Myers, James H. Myers, James H. Spangler, Alpha Spangler, Lois A. Camp, Heber Camp, Florence G. Baker, and —— Baker, Complainants, Vs. Ann E. Lichtenberger, Conrad H. Lichtenberger, John Stumpff, Sarah J. Stumpff, James E. Stumpff, Daniel Spangler, Thomas Binns, James L. Nesbit, or the unknown heirs at law, devisees or legatees of the said James L. Nesbit, deceased, and Mary Wetzel, Defendants—Bill in Partition, No. 16708; May Term, 1898—In Chancery.

Affidavit of the nonresidence of the above named defendants, Daniel Spangler and James L. Nesbit, or if he be deceased the unknown heirs at law, legatees or devisees of the said James L. Nesbit, deceased, having been filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois, notice is hereby given to the above named defendants, Daniel Spangler and James L. Nesbit, or if he be deceased, the unknown heirs at law, legatees or devisees of the said James L. Nesbit, deceased, that the above named complainants have filed their bill of complaint in the said court on the chancery side thereof, on the 23rd day of March, A. D. 1898 and that summons thereupon issued out of the office of the clerk of the said court against the said defendants returnable to the second Monday of May, A. D. 1898, as is by law required.

Now unless you, the said Daniel Spangler and James L. Nesbit, or if he be deceased, the unknown heirs at law, legatees or devisees of the said James L. Nesbit, deceased, and each of you, shall be and appear before the said Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at the court house in the City of Decatur, in said county, on the second Monday of May A. D. 1898, and plead answer or demur to the said complainants' bill of complaint and the matters and things therein charged and set forth the same shall be taken as confessed against you, and a decree entered against you in accordance with the prayer of said bill.

Dated this 2nd day of April, A. D 1898.
D. L. Foster, Circuit Clerk.
Leforgee & Lee, Solicitors for Complainants.
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CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss

In the Circuit Court to the May Term, A. D. 1898.

Richard J. Ellis vs. Mary E. Ellis and Ralph H. Ellis, partition.

Affidavit of the non-residence of Mary E. Ellis and Ralph H. Ellis, the above named defendants having been filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk of the Circuit Court of said Macon County, notice is hereby given to the said Mary E. Ellis and Ralph H. Ellis, that the above named complainant, has filed his bill of complaint in said Court on the chancery side thereof on the 8th day of March, A. D. 1898, and that a summons thereupon issue out of said court against the defendants, returnable on the second Monday of May, A. D 1898, as is required by law.

Now unless you, the said Mary E Ellis and Ralph H. Ellis, and each of you shall be and appear before the said Circuit Court of Macon County on the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden in Decatur, in said County, on the second Monday of May, A. D. 1898, and plead, answer or demur to the said complainant's bill the same and the matters and things therein charged and stated, shall be taken as confessed and a decree entered against you according to the prayer of said bill.

Dated at Decatur, this 9th day of April, A. D. 1898.
D. L. FOSTER,
apr 9 d4w Circuit Clerk.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS Macon County, } ss.

In the Circuit Court of said County and State, to the May Term, A. D. 1898.

Daniel Knotts vs. Robert Hunter, Sophronia Hunter, George Hunter, Ida Hunter, R. B. Nicholson and Emma L. Biller.

Affidavit that Robert Hunter and Sophronia Hunter, two of the above named defendants, are not nor is either of them residents of the State of Illinois, having been filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county in said cause, notice is hereby given to the said Robert Hunter and Sophronia Hunter that Daniel Knotts, the above named complainant, heretofore filed his bill of complaint, to foreclose a mortgage, etc, in the circuit court of said county, which suit is still pending, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against all of the above named defendants, returnable on the first day of the next May term of said court, to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county and State, on the second Monday in the month of May, 1898.

Now unless you, the said Robert Hunter and Sophronia Hunter shall be and appear before the said court on the first day of the said term, and plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as confessed and a decree rendered against you according to the prayer thereof.

Dated this 5th day of April, A. D. 1898.
apr 5-d4w D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.

EXECUTRIX' NOTICE.

Estate of Mary A. Goodman, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed executors of the estate of Mary A. Goodman, late of the county of Macon, and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby give notice that they will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the June term, on the first Monday in June next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of April, 1898.
HARRIET A. GOODMAN,
ADA CAPITOLA GOODMAN,
Executors.
April 20 d3w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Isaac M. Lowe, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Isaac M. Lowe, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the June term, on the first Monday in June next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 8th day of April. 1898.
JAMES H. RECORD, Administrator.
April 8-d3w

Final Settlement Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss In the County Court.

April Term, 1898.

In the matter of the estate of Jacob K. Harry deceased.

To whom it may concern: You are hereby notified that I have this day filed in said court a final report of my acts and doings as the administrator of said estate, and that I will, on the 23d day of April, A. D. 1898, at the hour of 9 a. m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, present the same to the court for his approval and ask to be discharged from further liability in said estate, at which time and place you can be present and take such action as you may deem best.

ANDREW H. MILLS, Administrator.
Decatur, Ill., April 7, 1898. 8-d2w

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of James Withgott, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of James Withgott, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the June term, on the first Monday in June, 1898, next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 16th day of April, 1898.
MARTHA A. WITHGOTT;
apr 16-d3w Administratrix.

NOTICE.—The undersigned horse-shoers of Decatur have agreed upon the following scale of prices for shoeing horses, to take effect on May 1, 1898:

Hand made shoes, per horse........$2.00
Machine made shoes, per horse.....$1.60
Old shoes, or resetting, per horse....$1.00
Bar shoes, each..........................50
Leather pads, per pair...................25

Thomas Hughes, R. C. Washburne, A. J. Dunston, Spitzer & Hatfield, Nicholls & Son, A. F. Kazar, W. J. Loga[illegible] I. R. Best, W. H. Curran, S. G. W[illegible] — Welford.—16-d6

SEALED BIDS.

For Improvement in the City of Decatur, Illinois.

Public notice is hereby given that the contract for the paving and improving of South Main street from the south line of Wood street south to the north line of Decatur street, according to the plans and specifications of an ordinance relating thereto passed by the City Council of said City of Decatur on the 14th day of June, A. D. 1897, (excepting as to the foundation of said improvement, which shall be constructed of concrete, according to specifications therefor adopted by the City Council on April 18, 1898, in lieu of gravel and brick as provided by said ordinance), will be let to the lowest responsible bidder, and that sealed bids will be received at the office of the city clerk of said city from the date hereof until five (5) o'clock on Monday, the second day of May, A. D. 1898, for the construction of said local improvement, including labor, materials and all other matters necessary to make the same.

A certified check in the amount of $800.00 must accompany each bid.

All bids will be submitted to the City Council and said council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated this 22nd day of April, A. D. 1898.
a22-d10d JOHN A. REEVE, City Clerk.

SEALED BIDS.

For Improvement in the City of Decatur, Illinois.

Public notice is hereby given that the contract for the paving and improving of West Wood street from the east line of Haworth Avenue west to Oakland Avenue, according to the plans and specifications of an ordinance relating thereto passed by the City Council of the said city of Decatur, on the 14th day of June, A. D. 1897, and amended on June 21, 1897, will be let to the lowest responsible bidder, and that sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Clerk of said city from the date hereof until five (5) o'clock p. m. of Monday, the 2nd day of May, A. D. 1898, for the construction of said local improvement including labor, materials and other matters necessary to make the same.

A certified check in the amount of $300.00 must accompany each bid.

All bids will be submitted to the City Council and said Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated this 22nd day of April, A. D. 1898.
a22-d10d JNO. A. REEVE, City Clerk.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that Paul Huillier, of the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, did, on the 21st day of April, A. D. 1898, transfer to the undersigned all of his property for the benefit of his creditors, except such as is allowed him under the exemption laws of the State of Illinois, according to the provisions of an act concerning voluntary assignments.

All persons having claims against the said Paul Huillier as aforesaid, are hereby notified to present the same, under oath or affirmation, to the undersigned at the City of Decatur, within three months from the date hereof.

Dated this 23d day of April, A. D. 1898.
Alexander McIntosh, Attorney.
JOHN S. CAMPBELL, Assignee.
April 23-6w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of William Dodson, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of William Dodson, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the June term, on the first Monday in June next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 16th day of April, 1898.
ROBERT R. MONTGOMERY,
April 16-d3w Administrator.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Abraham Seelig, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Abraham Seelig, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the June term, on the first Monday in June next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of April, 1898.
HENNING JACOBSEN,
April 19-d3w Administrator.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, to May Term, A. D. 1898.

Minnie Nelson vs. William D. Nelson—In Chancery.

Notice is hereby given to the said William D. Nelson, defendant, that the above named complainant, Minnie Nelson, has heretofore filed her bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against you, the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next May term of said court, to be held at the court house of said county, at Decatur in said county, on the second Monday in the month of May, A. D. 1898, as by law required, and which suit is still pending.

D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Wm. T. Cussins, Complainant's Sol.
mar 30 d4w

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the County Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of W. L. Johnson, and against O. T. Kirk, Mary S. Kirk and R. E. Kirk, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lots nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11) in block thirty-nine (39) of Railroad Addition to Macon in Macon county, Illinois, taken as property of the said R. E. Kirk which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 22d day of April, A. D. 1898.
J. P. NICHOLSON,
Sheriff Macon County, Illinois.
april 22-d4d

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of John Millhon, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of John Millhon, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the June term, on the first Monday in June next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of April, 1898.
W. H. STARR, Administrator.
Apr 16-d3w

HOMESEEKERS' EXCURSIONS

at the low rate of

ONE FARE for the Round Trip PLUS $2.00

VIA THE

Illinois Central R. R.

SOUTH Homeseekers' Excursions to central points in the South on the lines of the Illinois Central and Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroads will be run on the first and third Tuesday during April; in connection with which a THROUGH TOURIST SLEEPING CAR will be run to New Orleans and the South on these dates.

For a copy of the Southern Homeseekers' Guide, describing the agricultural advantages of the country traversed by the above-mentioned roads, address, at Manchester, Iowa, J. F. Merry, Assistant General Passenger Agent. For information in regard to Railroad Lands in Southern Illinois, and in the famous Yazoo Valley of Mississippi, address at Chicago, E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner, I. C. R. R.

WEST April 5th and 19th, including points on the Illinois Central in South Dakota, Minnesota and in Iowa; also to Waverly and points north.

Tickets at the above rates on sale only on dates quoted. For further particulars apply to your local ticket agent, or address A. H. Hanson, General Passenger Agent, Illinois Central Railroad, Chicago.

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Have you thought what kind of a Belt you will buy?
Do you know that every woman in this broad land of ours will wear a belt of some kind this Summer?
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An' my experience—tell yez wot it's ben;
Folks thet worked thorough was the ones thet thriv.
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Our men's bicycle shoes in black vici kid, hand sewed, unlined in the back, something that you can wear on the streets and you can pedal with your wheel all day when you have them on. Don't have to change shoes every time you get on your bike. These shoes are something new. Those who are wearing them say that they never had such comfort. The price is only $3.50. We are just as thorough in this line as in others.

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For Men, Women and Children.
50 Cents per Bottle.
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Druggists.

WEATHER.

Chicago, April 25.—Illinois: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday; probably light frost Tuesday morning; westerly winds.

LOCAL NEWS.

Davis' 15c delivery. Cab, 25c.

Smoke the Queen, manufactured by Reddick & Kussink.—15-dtf

Denz—the Leading Tailor.—apr6-dtf

Smoke the Litle J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 29-dtf

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

—Miss Lillian Drew left Saturday for a visit of six weeks with her sister at Weldon.

Do you want plastering done. If so telephone 528, new 'phone. Decatur Hard Plaster Co. Perry & Oren.—5-dtf

The Wabash will sell to Danville, account 79th anniversary Odd-Fellows at one and one-third round trip. Tickets sold April 26th good returning till 27th.

Open during the day and evening—Spencer and Lehman Carriage Repository, at the corner of Main and Wood streets. They have some open and canopy top traps that are beauties and a full line of fine and medium grade surreys, buggies, road wagons, etc. These are honest goods at honest prices.—23-d&wtf

On Sunday, May 9 the I., D. & W. will sell to Indianapolis and return for $1 special train leaving Decatur at 6:30 a. m.

Next Sabbath Rev. A. M. Danely will preach at Long Creek church at 10:30 a. m. and at Mt. Zion at 3 p. m.

Rev. D. E. May of Mt. Zion will preach at Blue Mound chapel near Boody at 11 a. m. next Sabbath. He was formelry pastor of this church and his many friends will be glad to hear him again.

The young ladies F. M. society of Elwin are to give a program in the M. E. church next Sabbath night. Those young ladies always give a good program and this one will be worth hearing. A large congregation always greets them.

In the midst of the excitement over national affairs the affairs of local interest are being lost sight of in a great many instances where the public should be interested. The coming school election is a matter of interest to every parent of the city and it is hoped that this matter will be given the proper attention in due time.

Ballad concert Tuesday evening at Mrs. O. Z. Greene's under direction of ladies of the Congregational church. The singers are among our best—Misses Beatrice Howard, Irene Armstrong, Mrs. Ada Stoner, Mrs. D. L. Bunn, Troy Alexander and Joe Stout. The mandolin orchestra will give an added charm and ices and cake will be served free. Admission 35 cents.—25-2t

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CORN CARNIVAL

Arrangements are Already Being Discussed.

MEETING HELD SATURDAY

By Board of Directors and Officers of Farmers' Institute — Maize Propaganda Will Push the Matter.

The corn carnival which is to be held in this city next fall will be the largest exhibition that has ever been held in the city. Last Saturday the members of the committee met with the officers of the Macon County Farmers' Institute to discuss the arrangements and another meeting will be held next Saturday.

The idea of a corn carnival originated with a number of ladies of the city and they called upon a number of gentlemen of the city to assist in the arrangements. The matter was put into the hands of a board of directors of which Mayor Taylor is president, B. S. Tyler vice president and H. I. Baldwin secretary At the carnival corn and all of its products will be on exhibition. The time has not been set but the exhibition will be held the last of October or the first part of November as soon after the maturity of the corn crop as possible. The only thing which is now feared is that there will not be a building large enough to accommodate the public. Th attendance will undoubtedly be large and it is expected that the people will be here from all parts of the state consequently a large building will be needed. A committee composed of B. S. Tyler, Will Shellabarger and W. H. Starr has been appointed to look after the matter of a location.

One organization which will take an active part in the arrangements of the carnival is the local branch of the American Maize Propaganda, the object of which is to promote a larger use of Indian corn and its products and to represent the interests of corn growers in legislation and public policy. The local branch received a charter on April fifth and it was the first charter issued by the national society which was formed in Chicago last February. B. S. Tyler is president of the local branch.

From now on the arrangements for the corn carnival will be in progress and those who have the matter in charge expect to make it one of the most attractive and important exhibitions that has ever been held in this part of the state.

In the Courts.

Today Judge Hammer in the county court called the cases of the people's docket for trial. The first case was that of George Gebbart, who is charged with stealing copper wire from one of the telephone companies. Attorney J. H. Latham prosecuted and Attorney John Fitzgerald defended the man. Among the other cases to come up are that of Ed Oglesby, charged with having in his possession quail for the purpose of selling them, William Moore, charged with petit larceny, and Jack Campbell, charged with assault and battery. Ed Williams was fined $5 and costs today by Judge Hammer for disorderly conduct.

In the circuit court this afternoon the divorce suit of Jamison vs. Jamison was on trial. The case came up several days ago and this was a continuation of it.

Correction.

Editor Republican:—In your article of April 8, under heading of "Young Vandals," you make me say I think some of the boys of the H. B. Durfee school took my hyacinths and tulips. I have not expressed such an opinion and have no good reason for doing so I think the boys attending this school at present are about as well behaved as the average, and as they and I get along together pleasantly as a rule I am unwilling to be given as authority for such an imputation upon them. Respectfully.

O. J. Lyons, Janitor.

Visible Supply.

Chicago, April 25.—The visible supply of grain is as follows: Wheat 25,914,000, oats 1,775,000, rye, 860,000, barley 994,-000.

FARMS FOR SALE.

There are still several farms of the celebrated lands of the Hale estate in Central Illinois for sale, among them several tracts never before offered. The attention of buyers is called to the following:

	SEC.	T	R.	ACRES	COUNTY.
SW¼ / S½, SE¼	17	15	3	240....	Macon.
W½, NW¼	29	15	3	80....	"
E½, SW¼	27	18	8	80 ...	Champaign.
W½ NE¼	17	18	6	80....	Platt.
SE¼, SE¼	1	17	3	40....	Macon.
N½, SE¼ / S½, NE¼	19	16	1	160....	"
W½, NE¼	20	15	2	80....	"
NW¼, NW¼	21	15	3	40 ...	"
NE¼, E½ NW¼, NW¼ NW¼	24	16	3	280....	"
E½, NE¼	21	17	5	80....	Platt
NE¼	11	18	6	160....	"
NW¼, SE¼	14	18	9	40 .	Champaign
SW¼, SE¼	18	16	2	40....	Macon.

I also offer about 1000 acres of well improved farm lands in Moultrie county, Illinois, belonging to another estate. Favorable terms can be made on all these tracts. The above form a special list.

I have several other fine farms that I will be glad to show and make prices.

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CALL FOR 125,000 VOLUNTEERS.

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The President has issued the following proclamation:

By the President of the United States of America, a proclamation:

WHEREAS, By joint resolution of Congress, approved on the 20th day of April, 1898, entitled "Joint Resolution for the Recognition of the Independence of the People of Cuba," demanding that the Government of Spain relinquish its authority and government in the Island of Cuba, and to withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters, and directing the President of the United States to use the land and naval forces of the United States to carry these resolutions into effect : and,

WHEREAS, By act of Congress entitled, "An Act to provide for temporarily increasing the military establishment of the United States in time of war and for other purposes," approved April 22, 1898, the President is authorized in order to raise a volunteer army to issue his proclamation calling for volunteers to serve in the army of the United States ; now, therefore, I, William McKinley, President of the United States, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution and laws, and deeming sufficient occasion to exist, have thought fit to call forth, and hereby do call forth, volunteers to the aggregate number of one hundred and twenty-five thousand, in order to carry into effect the purpose of the said resolution, the same to be apportioned as far as practicable among the several States and Territories and the District of Columbia, according to population, and to serve for two years unless sooner discharged. The details for this object will be immediately communicated to the proper authorities through the War Department.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this 23d day of April, A. D 1898, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-second.

By the President, WILLIAM M'KINLEY.
JOHN SHERMAN, Secretary of State.

Mrs. Alexander's Success.

The current number of the American Art Journal publishes on the title page a half tone cut of Mrs. Hadden-Alexander and in the same number appears a very complimentary article reviewing her career as a pianist and speaking in the very highest terms of her work.

Mrs. Alexander during the summer will take charge of the piano department of the Lakeside Assembly, which is conducted on the Chautauqua plan at Lakeside, Ohio, on the shores of Lake Erie Mrs. Alexander will not only teach advanced piano students, but will give a series of piano recitals and will deliver lectures on the development of piano music, from Bach, Rameau, Couperin and Scarlatti.

Funeral of Mrs. McDonald.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth McDonald was held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence, No. 343 West William street. The services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Penhallegon of the First Presbyterian church and the music was rendered by a choir composed of C. W. Montgomery, C. N. Brown, R. W. Chilson and Troy Alexander. The burial was at Greenwood cemetery. The pall bearers were Archie Wilson, George Thompson, George Golze, A. H. Cope, Clay Dempsey and Oscar Zimmerman.

Farewell for Miss Spencer.

The Helping Hand society of the East Park chapel gave a farewell reception at the home of Miss Davis on East Prairie street in honor of Miss Ella Spencer, who left for Litchfield today to make her future home. Miss Spencer has been president of the circle for the past six months and was held in the highest esteem by the members of the society. Miss Spencer was presented with a handsome silver mug, by Mrs. J. T. Oren on behalf of the circle.

Circus Men.

J. W. Emmon and Will Cuban, two men who were connected with the La Pearl circus and who stayed in the city after the show left, were arrested by Deputy Briggs this morning and were vagged.

Bill Ethridge was also given another term in the county jail for vagrancy.

$5 Reward.

I will pay the above reward for evidence that will secure the conviction of the person or persons who on Saturday or Sunday night wantonly destroyed the flowers in the yard of the High school.

E. A. Gastman.

Dorcas Society.

The members of the Dorcas society are requested to meet tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the Guards' armory on the third floor. Business of importance is to be transacted and all of the members are urged to be present.

Notice.

The regular meeting of Dunham Corps meets Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. in G. A. R. hall. By order of Luthera J. Douglass, President; Chloe A. Murphy, Secretary.

At the ballad concert to be given at O. Z. Greene's residence Tuesday evening D L. Bunn will sing and not Frank Bunn as is understood by some from the name Bunn, which appears on the programs.

—Breck Irwin is in the city for several days on business. Mr. Irwin is settling his business and expects to leave in about a month for Denver, Col., where he will make his home.

MARKETS.

FURNISHED BY R. Z. TAYLOR.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 25.

	Opening	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yesterday.
Wheat—					
April	—	—	—	—	—
May.......	115	170	115	119¾	114
July..........	40⅝	93⅛	90	92¼	89¼
Corn—					
April.........	—	—	—	31½	32¼
May..........	32⅝	33¼	32¼	33⅛	32⅞
July.	33⅝	33⅞	33⅛	34⅛	34¼
Oats—					
April	—	—	—	28¼	27¼
May..........	27⅝	29	27⅝	28⅝	27⅝
July	24⅞	25⅜	24	25⅜	24⅞
Pork—					
May..........	11.10	11 20	11 10	11 20	10 85
Lard					
May..........	5 60	5 62½	5 60	5 62½	5 47½
Ribs					
May..........	—	—	—	5 52½	5.50

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—141; Estimated, 130, a year ago 15
Corn—443; Estimated, 470, a year ago, 142.
Oats—350; Estimated, 350, a year ago, 1 5.

Estimates for Tomorrow.

Wheat, 140; Corn, 625, Oats, 600.

Hogs

Hog receipts, 18,000. Estimated, 25,000
Market 5c lower.
Light, $3.75@$3.95, Mixed $3.80@$3.97½,
[illegible] $3.95@$4.05, Rough, $3.70@$3.85
Estimated for tomorrow, 20,050.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 11,500. Market strong

Bridge Letting.

The undersigned will receive bids at the town clerk's office, Decatur, Ill, until 10 o clock a. m , May 7, 1898 for the construction of the brick substructure and steel superstructure of a 100x16 foot highway bridge and for 5051 cubic yards of grading. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Albert H. Cope town clerk, Decatur, Ill , or at the office of Prof. Ira O. Baker, consulting engineer, Champaign, Ill. The superstructure and substructure will be let in one contract and the grading in another All bids must be accompanied with a certified check for $100, payable to the treasurer of the commissioners of highways.

Hezekiah Haye,
John H Miller,
Jacob Lebo,
Bridge Committee of Board of Supervisors.

Wm M. Bundy,
H. Mahannah,
Henry Ammann
Highway Com. of Decatur Township
Attest: Albert H. Cope, Town Clerk.
Decatur, Ill., April 25, 1898 25 10d

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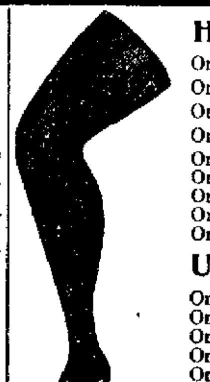

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One case Boys' Bycycle Hose........ 9c
One " " " " 12½c
One " " " " 19c
One case Boys' Leather Stockings........ 25c
One case Ladies' Black and Tan Stockings........ 9c
One case Ladies' Black Dot Fancy Stockings........ 10c
One case Men's Fast Black Socks........ 3 pair for 25c
One case Men's Tan Socks........ 3 pair for 25c
One case Blue Fancy Dot Socks........ 12½c

Underwear...

One case Child's Gauze Vests........ 10c
One case Child's Gauze Pants........ 15c
One case Child's Sleeveless Gauze Union Suits........ 27c
One case Ladies' " " " " 25c
One case " " " " " 35c
One " " " " " 50c
One " " Long Sleeves " " 50c

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Massacre at

Hong Kong, April 26-- gents are massing around the Spaniards is feared.

Passing

Newport, R. I., April cruiser Columbia sailed th unknown.

Polo May Move Out.

London, April 26.—The government will be questioned today in the house of commons as to whether Polo y Barnabe is at liberty to use Toronto as a base for supplying Spain with information.

England Neutral.

London, April 26.—A royal decree proclaiming neutrality was published this morning.

Spain's Great Dignity.

Madrid, Aril 26 —Spain has sent a circular to the powers regretting the "hard necessity of being compelled to appeal to force in order to repel the scandalous aggression of the United States and to defend the national dignity and history and integrity of the Fatherland."

To Preserve All Rights.

Washington, April 26 —The state department has sent all foreign nations notice of the declaration by congress that war has existed since April 21. This is done to preserve our rights

Approval.

Paris, April 26.—The French cabinet has approved the neutrality proclamation.

Response to Call.

Washington, April 26 —Most of the governors have made prompt and gratifying responses to the call for volunteers.

Eager for Action.

Madrid, April 26.—It is announced here that the Spanish admiral at St. Vincent threatens to sail without orders unless sent against the United States warships.

Cannot Get Away.

Kingston, Ireland, April 26.—The main steamer Ireland said to have been purchased by the United States has been forbidden to sail.

The Army Bill.

Washington, April 26.—The senate has agreed to the conference report on the army reorganization bill.

The house without debate agreed to the conference report on the army reorganization bill.

Representative Dingley gave notice that the revenue bill will be called up to